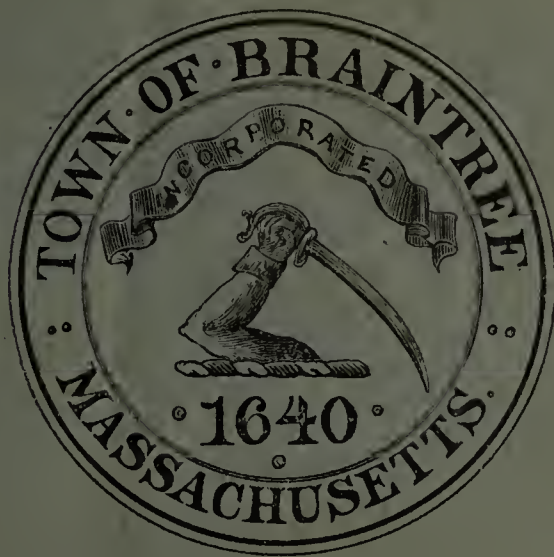


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TOWN OFFICERS FOR 1889.

Town Clerk,

SAMUEL A. BATES.

Town Treasurer,

ANDREW J. BATES.

Selectmen, Assessors, Overseers of Poor and Highway Surveyors,

ANSEL O. CLARK, NATHANIEL F. HUNT, R. ALLEN GAGE.

School Committee,

ALBERT E. AVERY, 1890. L. H. H. JOHNSON, 1891.

JOHN REED, 1890. MRS. ANN M. BROOKS, 1892.

E. AUGUSTUS WILD, 1891. MRS. REBECCA H. MORRISON, 1892.

Collector of Taxes,

DAVID H. B. THAYER.

Constables,

HORACE FAXON,

ALBERT HOBART,

EDWIN L. CURTIS,

BENJAMIN J. LORING, JR.,

THOMAS DOWNEY,

HOWARD M. HOBART,

CONRAD MISCHLER,

JAMES A. REYNOLDS,

JOHN KELLEY.

Auditors,

GEORGE D. WILLIS, JOHN M. BEALS, ALVERDO MASON.

Engineers of Fire Department,

EDWARD O. PIERSON, Chief,

MARCUS A. PERKINS,

FRANK O. WHITMARSH.

Registrars of Voters,

EDWARD AVERY, 1890,

ALVA S. MORRISON, 1891,

F. A. HOBART, 1892.

Fence Viewers,

FREEMAN G. CROSBY,

JOHN V. SCOLLARD,

JOSIAH PENNIMAN.

Superintendents of Schools,

CHARLES L. HUNT (Resigned),

CLARENCE H. FEARING.

REPORT OF THE

Selectmen, Assessors, Overseers of the Poor and Highway Surveyors.

At the annual town meeting the following sums were raised and appropriated :

For support of schools, besides dog tax

and school funds,	\$9,100 00	9.500.
Incidentals for schools,	300 00	300
Incidentals for schoolhouses,	800 00	1.100
Superintendent of schools,	1,200 00	1.200
Text books and supplies,	700 00	1.00
General repairs of highways,	4,000 00	✓
Stone road,	3,000 00	✓
Support of poor,	4,000 00	✓
Removal of snow,	500 00	✓
Public Library,	700 00	✓
Janitor,	600 00	✓
Town lands,	100 00	✓
Interest on town debt,	1,200 00	✓
Interest on water bonds,	4,000 00	
Sinking fund,	2,000 00	
Soldiers' aid,	350 00	
Collection and abatement of taxes,	600 00	
Insurance,	500 00	
Town incidentals	1,200 00	
Town officers,	2,400 00	25
Expenses law suits, etc.,	5,000 00	
Grand Army,	150 00	
Fire department,	1,000 00	
Transporting books,	100 00	

Amount carried forward, \$43,500 00

<i>Amount brought forward,</i> . . .	\$43,500 00
For Extension of Tremont street, . . .	250 00
Standish avenue,	150 00
Heating Town House and Library, . .	2,500 00
	<hr/> \$46,400 00
Less \$7,000 bank and corporation tax, .	7,000 00
	<hr/> \$39,400 00
June 14th, 1888, for services of Moderator, (not assessed),	\$25 00

SCHOOLS.

Appropriation,	<u>\$9,100 00</u>
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HIGH SCHOOL.

Paid Charles E. Stetson, teaching 40 weeks, at \$30,	\$1,200 00
Carrie M. Bassett, teaching 40 weeks, at \$15,	600 00
	<hr/> \$1,800 00

POND SCHOOL.

Paid Fred H. Saunders, teaching 20 weeks, at \$16.50	\$330 00
Fred H. Saunders, teaching 20 weeks, at 17.50	350 00
E. M. Thompson, teaching 20 weeks, at \$10,	200 00
Helen C. Bacon, teaching 20 weeks, at \$10,	200 00
Mary L. Burroughs, teaching 20 weeks, at \$9,	180 00
S. Anna L. Tirrell, teaching 16 weeks, at \$10,	160 00
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$1,420 00

<i>Amount brought forward,</i> . . .	\$1,420 00
Paid Martha S. Harding, teaching 4 weeks, at \$10,	40 00
Sarah L. Arnold, teaching 40 weeks, at \$10,	400 00
M. L. Tupper, coal,	72 00
W. A. Grant, kindlings,	8 40
	<hr/> \$1,940 40

UNION SCHOOL.

Paid Herbert E. Walker, teaching 40 weeks, at \$17.50	\$700 00
Abbie A. Mills, teaching 40 weeks, at \$10,	400 00
Adelaide E. Perry, teaching 18 weeks, at \$9,	162 00
Adelaide E. Perry, teaching 20 weeks, at \$10,	200 00
Lucy W. Gibbs, teaching 2 weeks, at \$7.50,	15 00
Lucy W. Gibbs, teaching 11 weeks, at \$6,	66 00
Sarah L. Hadley, teaching 40 weeks, at \$10,	400 00
Clara A. Holbrook, teaching 3½ weeks, at \$3,	9 60
O. Q. Ball, janitor,	160 00
O. Q. Ball, shavings,	1 25
M. L. Tupper, coal,	78 60
	<hr/> \$2,192 45

IRON WORKS SCHOOL.

Paid John S. Manter, teaching 19½ weeks, at \$17.50,	\$343 00
Victoria P. Wild, teaching 20 weeks, at \$17.50,	350 00
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$693 00

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$693 00
Paid Mabel L. Bates, teaching 40 weeks, at \$10,	400 00
Avis A. Thayer, teaching 40 weeks, at \$10,	400 00
Mary L. Crowe, teaching 20 weeks, at \$10,	200 00
John Taylor, janitor,	139 50
M. L. Tupper, coal,	68 55
J. F. Sheppard & Sons, coal,	13 00
J. F. Sheppard & Sons, posts,	3 60
	<hr/> \$1,917 65

EAST SCHOOL.

Paid Victoria P. Wild, teaching 12 weeks, at \$14,	\$168 00
Lucy W. Gibbs, teaching 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ weeks, at \$7.50,	13 50
Annie G. Scollard, teaching 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ weeks, at \$10,	78 00
Mrs. J. S. Manter, teaching 17 $\frac{1}{2}$ weeks, at \$9,	154 80
Theresa M. Jenkins, teaching 20 weeks, at \$10,	200 00
Peter Lowson, janitor,	43 00
William Kelley, janitor,	30 00
M. L. Tupper, fuel,	3 50
M. L. Tupper, coal,	60 00
J. F. Sheppard & Sons, coal,	6 75
	<hr/> \$757 55

SOUTH SCHOOL.

Paid M. E. C. Bannon, teaching 40 weeks, at \$10,	\$400 00
Mrs. M. A. Holbrook, care of house,	15 00
M. L. Tupper, coal,	18 00
W. A. Grant, kindlings,	3 60
	<hr/> \$436 60

SOUTHWEST SCHOOL.

Paid Isaline R. Hayden, teaching 20 weeks, at \$6,	\$120 00	
Lillian McCormick, teaching 20 weeks, at \$8,	160 00	
M. L. Tupper, coal,	12 00	
Annie T. Dyer, care of house,	15 00	
W. A. Grant, kindlings,	1 80	
	<hr/>	\$308 80

WEST SCHOOL.

Paid Lucy E. Keith, teaching 19 weeks, at \$6,	114 00	
Lucy W. Gibbs, teaching 1 week, at \$6,	6 00	
Nellie E. Bowles, teaching 20 weeks, at \$8,	160 00	
M. L. Tupper, coal,	18 25	
Elisha Saville, care of house,	15 00	
W. A. Grant, kindlings,	3 60	
	<hr/>	\$316 85

MIDDLE STREET SCHOOL.

Paid Mary L. Crowe, teaching 20 weeks, at \$10,	\$200 00	
Edith A. Willey, teaching 20 weeks, at \$10,	200 00	
M. L. Tupper, coal,	18 00	
Orrin W. Hollis, care of house,	7 50	
Benjamin Hawes, Jr., care of house,	7 50	
W. A. Grant, kindlings,	4 60	
	<hr/>	\$437 60
Total for Schools,		<hr/> \$10,107 90

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

Appropriation,	\$1,200 00
Paid Charles L. Hunt,	\$500 00
C. W. Fearing,	500 00
	<u>\$1,000 00</u>

INCIDENTALS FOR SCHOOLS.

Appropriation,	<u>\$300 00</u>
Paid G. C. Hollenbeck, tables,	\$7 75
Paul F. DeLang, cleaning clock, Pond,	1 00
J. M. Arnold, supplies,	10 56
J. W. W. Rowell, truant officer,	4 00
George S. Perry, supplies,	9 00
Wallace Spooner, supplies,	113 00
C. L. Hunt, supplies,	16 81
C. L. Hunt, delivering supplies,	4 40
Boston School Supply Co., supplies,	1 00
Belknap & Co., supplies,	1 40
A. G. Whitcomb, supplies,	37 85
Thomas Groom, supplies,	2 50
O. Q. Ball, sawing wood,	75
O. Q. Ball, shavings,	30
J. S. Manter, supplies,	2 50
B. J. Loring, Jr., bookcase,	2 75
B. J. Loring, Jr., stock and labor,	
Iron Works,	38 15
C. E. Hill, expressing,	2 00
Vinton & Son, expressing,	3 25
Michael DeYoung, sawing wood,	
Union,	5 40
Gus B. Bates, supplies,	7 02
Gus B. Bates, labor and stock Iron	
Works,	21 50
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	<u>\$292 89</u>

<i>Amount brought forward,</i> . . .	\$292 89
Paid Gus B. Bates, pipes and supplies, . .	31 32
E. A. Wild, supplies,	2 37
O. M. Rogers, cleaning stove, South- west,	2 50
O. M. Rogers, cleaning and repairs, . .	
South,	8 25
O. M. Rogers, cleaning stove, High, . .	1 00
O. M. Rogers, repairs, Pond,	17 95
O. M. Rogers, repairs and supplies, . .	4 23
J. I. Bates, repairs on stoves, East, . .	8 78
J. I. Bates, repairs on stoves, Iron Works,	9 52
Charles Custance, labor, Union, . . .	6 10
Mrs. Greenough, cleaning, Union, . . .	3 60
Mrs. Remington, cleaning, Middle Street,	3 50
John Kelley, supplies, East,	3 15
William Kelley, labor, East,	3 00
Globe Furniture Co., furniture, Iron Works,	124 95
C. W. Fearing, supplies,	5 30
R. A. Gage, gravel, Union,	8 43
H. H. Snow, cleaning clocks, Pond, . .	2 00
C. H. Hobart, supplies, South,	3 29
C. H. Hobart, supplies, Southwest, . .	1 60
C. H. Hobart, supplies, West,	20
C. H. Hobart, supplies, Iron Works, . .	1 25
C. H. Hobart, supplies, Pond,	1 45
C. H. Hobart, supplies, Middle Street, .	10
C. H. Hobart, supplies, Southeast, . .	10
John Taylor, cleaning, Iron Works, . .	13 00
F. A. Bates, labor and material on stoves,	10 85
F. A. Bates, repairs on Union,	9 50
F. A. Bates, repairs on Iron Works, . .	8 79
F. O. Whitmarsh, mason work, Pond, . .	2 50
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$591 47

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$591 47	
Paid F. O. Whitmarsh, mason work, Middle		
Street,	4 00	
F. O. Whitmarsh, mason work, High, .	4 25	
Walworth Manufacturing Co.,	15 50	
L. H. H. Johnson, cash paid supplies, .	2 85	
W. A. Torrey, supplies,	3 40	
Bradford & Mansfield, broom,	45	
C. B. Woodsum, expressing,	15 54	
	<hr/>	\$637 46

INCIDENTALS FOR SCHOOLHOUSES.

Appropriation,		<u>\$800 00</u>
Paid Robert Brooks, labor and paint, Iron		
Works,	\$21 73	
Robert Brooks, labor and paint, East, .	15 54	
J. B. Rhines & Co., Iron Works, . . .	125 27	
J. B. Rhines & Co., East,	27 63	
Joseph I. Bates, labor on roof, Iron		
Works,	1 75	
William A. Tupper, labor on High, . .	4 20	
William A. Tupper, labor on Pond, . .	2 30	
A. H. Roulstone, repairs, Middle		
Street,	4 75	
O. Q. Ball, repairs, Union,	1 90	
John Taylor, labor, grading yard, Iron		
Works,	6 3	
Peter Lowson, labor on East,	1 34	
Frank A. Bates, labor and stock, . .		
Union,	11 31	
Timothy O'Keefe, cleaning yard, Iron		
Works,	3 50	
A. H. Holbrook, cleaning vault and		
setting glass, South,	3 00	
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	<hr/>	\$230 52

<i>Amount brought forward,</i> . . .	\$230 52
Paid Thomas Huston, labor, Pond, . . .	2 44
William Allen, labor on wall, Iron Works,	27 93
William Allen, stone work, East, . . .	20 76
Andrew Gott, grading yard, Iron Works,	8 13
J. H. G. Robinson, repairs on Union, . . .	7 56
J. H. G. Robinson, repairs on West, . . .	3 37
Orrin W. Hollis, repairs, Middle Street,	1 45
Peter Ness, paint and labor, Union, . . .	5 18
Braintree Water Supply Co., piping, East,	23 45
Braintree Water Supply Co., water, East,	4 95
Braintree Water Supply Co., piping, Iron Works,	28 48
Braintree Water Supply Co., water, Iron Works,	14 95
Braintree Water Supply Co., water, Pond,	20 00
George H. Holbrook, labor and stock, Union,	271 78
George H. Holbrook, labor and stock, West,	89 18
L. R. Barnes, paint and labor, South-west,	12 50
L. R. Barnes, paint and labor, Pond, . . .	32 50
M. L. Tupper, stock and labor, Pond, . . .	29 05
M. L. Tupper, shingling, South,	58 84
M. L. Tupper, carting school furniture, . . .	2 50
Maurice Gurney, cleaning Iron Works, . . .	5 00
Mary Viger, cleaning rooms, East, . . .	4 70
Hayward Bros, labor on East,	55 10
O. C. R. R., freight,	69
Anselm Bassett, labor on Pond,	2 95
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	<hr/> \$963 96

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$963 96
Paid Mrs. Donovan, washing, Union,	4 55
Thomas Missett, repairs on drain, Iron Works,	3 50
C. C. Webster, mason work, Iron Works,	9 00
H. M. White, paint, Pond,	22 85
H. M. White, paint, Southwest,	11 85
F. A. Olliver, cleaning windows, Pond,	5 00
Est. of G. S. Baker, lock and key, East,	1 00
Winchester Furniture Co., school furniture	13 70
E. L. Curtis, setting glass, West,	1 50
E. L. Curtis, setting glass, Pond,	1 85
E. L. Curtis, setting glass, Union,	2 60
Mrs. M. A. Holbrook, cleaning windows, South,	1 00
Elisha Saville, setting glass, West,	1 90
	<hr/> \$1,044 26

TEXT-BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

Appropriation,	<u>\$700 00</u>
Paid Charles E. Stetson, books,	\$3 60
Charles L. Hunt, delivering supplies,	8 85
Boston School Supply Company, supplies,	97 29
D. Appleton & Co., supplies,	36 80
Houghton, Mifflin & Co., supplies,	9 26
Ginn & Co., supplies,	15 14
Willard Small, supplies,	5 73
Thorp Adams Manufacturing Company, supplies,	1 03
A. S. Barnes & Co., supplies,	16 14
Geo. F. King & Merrill, supplies,	25 00
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	<hr/> \$218 84

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$218 84	
Paid Geo. S. Perry, supplies,	38 97	
Charles H. Kilborn, supplies,	19 13	
Eastern Educational Company, supplies,	42	
D. C. Heath & Co., supplies,	3 22	
Van Antwerp, Bragg & Co., supplies,	7 02	
Harper Bros., supplies,	26 29	
Prang Educational Company, supplies,	4 40	
Silver, Burdette & Co., supplies,	6 00	
J. L. Hammett, supplies,	48 92	
Interstate Publishing Company, supplies,	5 25	
Warren P. Adams, supplies,	8 01	
A. M. Edwards, supplies,	5 00	
M. R. Warren, supplies,	19 90	
William Ware & Co., supplies,	24 83	
Cassell & Co., supplies,	18 00	
A. C. Stocking, supplies,	4 77	
Effingham, Maynard & Co., supplies,	9 49	
Carter, Rice & Co., supplies,	15 30	
Samuel Ward & Co., supplies,	17 74	
Pulsifer, Jordan & Pfaff, supplies,	41 80	
Charles Hopkins, supplies,	8 00	
Harrison Hume, supplies,	2 00	
C. W. Fearing, cash expenses,	2 40	
Alley & Bacon, supplies,	10 00	
Porter & Coates,	12 20	
	<hr/>	\$577 90

Cr.

From Superintendent of Schools, discount on bill,	\$1 98	
Superintendent of Schools, damage to books,	4 41	
	<hr/>	\$6 39
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		\$571 51

POOR IN ALMSHOUSE.

Appropriation, \$2,500 00

Dr.

To appraisal Feb. 1, 1889,	\$1,792 53
Paid Morrill Williams, Superintendent,	58 33
Morrill Williams, sundries,	9 61
Wilbur A. Grant, Superintendent,	250 00
Wilbur A. Grant, sundries,	24 77
Hired girl,	159 00
Henry M. White, groceries,	137 65
C. H. Hobart, groceries,	190 59
Bryant & Co., groceries,	82 23
J. M. Arnold, groceries,	230 77
Bradford & Mansfield, groceries,	69 53
Horace Dana, groceries,	29 47
Ambler & Hobart, grain,	182 95
Rodolphus Porter, meat, etc.,	171 33
Hollis & Weeks, groceries, etc.,	118 83
J. H. Bell, bread and crackers,	53 51
M. B. Woodsum, bread and crackers,	19 55
John F. Eaton, meat,	46 21
M. L. Tupper, coal,	203 23
J. F. Sheppard & Sons, coal,	29 52
J. F. Sheppard & Sons, ice,	12 69
Jacob Dexheimer, fish,	22 76
Joseph Dyer, fifteen cords of wood standing,	30 00
N. H. Hunt, pine wood,	17 50
Braintree Clothing Co., clothing,	104 35
Mrs. Sarah E. Fitch, dry goods,	60 46
Frank A. Bates, repair of pipes, pump, boiler, etc.,	34 87
Oliver Whyte, 3 iron window grates,	14 44
Gus B. Bates, repair of pipes, etc.,	7 98
John Rennie, hay,	24 70
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	<i>\$4,189 36</i>

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>		\$4,189 36
Paid T. H. Libby, plowing,		5 00
Noah Torrey, medical attendance on inmate,		5 25
W. Austin Torrey, medicine,		29 56
Edward Shay, blacksmithing,		14 75
Vinton & Son, removing pauper,		50
O. M. Rogers, repairs and supplies,		26 54
		<u>\$4,270 96</u>

Cr.

To appraisal, Feb. 1, 1890,	\$1,660 50
Labor and produce sold,	36 93
Sale of cow,	35 00
	<u>\$1,732 43</u>

Total cost of poor in Almshouse, \$2,538 53

Less amount received from :

Christian Hansen,	\$29 25
Poor person, refunded,	6 65
Due from Christian Hansen,	87 75
Due from Boston for Henry Church,	21 90
Due from Brockton for Robert McDonnell,	25 80
	<u>\$171 35</u>

Net cost, \$2,367 18

INMATES OF ALMSHOUSE.

	AGE.	DAYS.
Charles Hayden,	84	365
Charles Hayden, 2d,	62	365
Ezra Dyer,	72	365
George Littlefield,	64	365
Stilman Leavett,	12	365
Johanna McMahan,	95	365
Elizabeth Saunders,	90	365
Elizabeth O. Penniman,	80	365
Mary Goodman,	52	365
Mary M. Leavett,	9	365
Catherine Leavett,	6	365
Maria Gunning,	67	365
Emily C. Hansen,	38	365
James Nettleton, (dead)	64	198
Caroline McGinness, (dead)	78	49
Carrie Leavett,	12	176
Thomas Leavett,	4	59
Sarah McCormish,	52	180
Joseph Gunning,	76	35
Mary E. Nolan,	72	290
Henry Church,	60	50
Maria Kelley,	25	230
— Kelley child,	—	230
Mary J. Lynch,	20	111
— Lynch child,	—	37
Nathaniel McKinley,	19	127
Jeremiah Dalton,	12	41
Susan F. Dalton,	10	41
Harriet Dalton,	8	41
Emma L. Dalton,	4	41
John Dalton,	2	41
Robert McDonnell,	50	71
S. F. B. Collins,	52	2
Tramps, . . . . .	.	340
Prisoners, . . . . .	.	7
Total number of days, . . . . .	.	7,142
Total number of weeks, . . . . .	.	1,020 $\frac{2}{7}$
Cost per week, . . . . .	.	\$2.48+

APPRAISAL OF PROPERTY AT THE ALMSHOUSE.

1 horse,	\$150 00	<i>Am't brought forward,</i>	\$494 45
1 cow,	40 00	3 grub hoes,	1 50
2 pigs,	24 00	Manure,	24 00
1 covered wagon, . .	50 00	2 harnesses,	12 00
1 express wagon, . .	8 00	1 harness (new), . .	25 00
1 hay wagon,	35 00	1 whippetree and 4	
1 farm wagon, . . .	8 00	chains,	2 00
1 tip cart,	15 00	Meadow shoes, . . .	50
1 wheel jack and		Grindstone,	3 50
wrench,	1 25	Work bench,	2 00
1 sleigh,	2 00	3 ladders,	4 00
2 ploughs,	4 00	Rubber hose and	
1 harrow,	1 00	carriage,	6 00
1 drag,	1 50	Steel balances, . . .	2 50
1 wheelbarrow, . . .	2 00	1 robe and blanket,	2 00
1 snow plow,	6 00	1 coal sifter,	30
29 hens, at 75 cents,	21 75	Ice chest and tongs, .	3 00
Hay and straw, . . .	110 00	17 cords wood, \$4.50,	76 50
4 hay rakes,	50	2 stoves and range,	45 00
1 hay rope,	50	3 boilers.	7 00
2 iron rakes	50	1 steam cooker, . . .	3 00
4 hoes,	50	Iron, stone, wooden	
1 iron bar,	1 00	and tin ware, . . .	15 00
7 forks,	3 00	Crockery and glass-	
2 picks,	1 25	ware,	12 00
1 bush hook,	50	Lamps and lanterns,	5 00
1 bill hook,	25	Extension table, . .	7 00
2 scythes and 4		Dining table,	5 00
snaths,	1 25	Dining table,	3 00
2 bush scythes, . . .	1 00	2 tables aud covers,	5 00
1 sickle,	30	1 pine table,	1 50
5 axes and 3 saws, . .	3 00	10 toilet tables, . .	10 00
2 saw horses,	40	Office table and 3	
1 beetle and 2 wedges,	50	chairs,	15 00
1 rocker,	50	1 desk,	5 00
<hr/> <i>Am't carried forward,</i>		<hr/> <i>Am't carried forward,</i>	
\$494 45		\$797 75	

Am't brought forward, \$797 75

24 chairs,	18 00
40 chairs,	7 00
12 chairs,	5 00
6 rocking chairs, .	5 00
1 wheel chair, . . .	10 00
5 table cloths, . . .	4 00
28 towels,	4 50
1 scalding tub, . .	50
6 wash tubs,	2 00
17 water pails, . .	2 00
2 clothes horses, . .	1 00
2 clothes wringers, .	5 00
4 clothes lines, . .	1 50
6 flat irons,	2 00
1 watering pot, . .	37
Washing machine and 1 wash bench,	1 00
3 baskets and 6 wash boards,	2 50
Sweet corn,	2 00
Meal chest and meal,	1 00
Grain and shorts, .	2 00
Grass seeds,	1 00
21 meal bags,	4 00
1½ bbls flour,	9 75
Coffee,	1 00
Tea,	3 90
Salt pork,	40 00
Lard,	3 75
Molasses and bar- rel,	2 00
Sugar,	2 10
Butter,	9 25
Butter stamps, . .	38
Crackers,	3 00
Raisins,	2 50

Am't carried forward, \$956 75

Am't brought forward, \$956 75

Salt fish,	1 60
Spices, preserves and provisions,	5 00
Apples,	5 50
Tobacco and snuff, .	4 00
Coal,	94 50
Barrels,	12 00
4 measures,	1 25
1 bushel basket, . .	50
1 bell,	50
1 chain,	1 00
1 chest of drawers, .	2 50
1 closet,	1 00
8 spittoons,	5 00
1 bed pan,	1 50
2 rubber blankets, .	2 00
17 chambers,	8 00
Brushes and brooms,	2 00
Knives and forks, .	5 00
4 oil cans and oil, .	3 00
Soap,	2 70
Tobacco cutter, . .	2 50
Handcuffs,	1 00
Straw matting, . .	1 00
1 woolen carpet, . .	2 50
Oil cloth,	2 00
6 door mats,	2 00
3 wooden bedsteads,	4 00
22 iron bedsteads, .	154 00
3 iron bedsteads, . .	12 00
2 clocks,	10 00
27 mattresses,	33 00
1 canvas mattress, .	1 50
17 feather beds, . .	80 00
32 pillows,	20 00
63 pillow cases, . .	9 00

Am't carried forward, \$1,449 80

<i>Am't brought forward, \$1,449 80</i>	<i>Am't brought forward, \$1,609 80</i>
90 sheets, 40 00	7 shovels, 3 50
26 pairs of blankets, 26 00	50 feet large hose, . 6 00
35 comforters, . . . 17 50	75 bean poles, . . . 1 00
3 white bed spreads, 1 50	2 coal hods, 20
Air pillow, 2 00	3 hams, 7 00
35 window curtains, . 20 00	1 bureau, 2 50
Sewing machine, . . 15 00	50 barrels of kind-
Potatoes, 11 00	lings, 15 00
Wood cut, 24 00	1 vice, 7 00
Hammer and pipe	Steps, 1 00
wrench, 1 00	1 force pump, . . . 4 50
Tackle and fall, . . 2 00	$\frac{1}{2}$ doz. silver spoons, 3 00
<i>Am't carried forward, \$1,609 80</i>	<i>Total, . . . \$1,660 50</i>

The Auditors visited the Almshouse on Feb. 1st, 1890, and made a thorough examination and appraisal of all property belonging to the town. They found it in a neat and excellent condition and in their judgment receiving good care. The Auditors believed the time had come when a conservative valuation should be placed upon the property there found, which will account for the decreased valuation from former years.

GEORGE D. WILLIS,
JOHN M. BEALS,
A. MASON,

Auditors.

POOR OUT. OF ALMSHOUSE.

Paid Taunton Lunatic Hospital, support of		
William Kincaide,	\$169 46	
Taunton Lunatic Hospital, support of		
John Hennesy,	106 75	
State Almshouse, support of John		
Hennesy,	55 20	
State Almshouse, support of Mary J.		
Lynch,	10 00	
City of Boston, aid to Annie Eagan, .	9 50	
City of Boston, aid to Joseph Gunning,	3 75	
City of Boston, aid to McCarty family,	62 94	
City of Boston, aid to James Eagan, .	2 00	
City of Fall River, aid to Thomas		
Oleranshaw,	30 65	
City of Brockton, aid to Jacob C. Snow,	5 70	
Town of Pembroke, aid to S. E. Whit-		
marsh and family,	185 02	
B. J. Loring, Jr., removing paupers,	7 07	
Henry L. Thayer, removing paupers,	13 00	
Vinton & Son, removing paupers, .	1 00	
	<hr/>	\$662 04

ANDREW NIGHTENGALE.

Paid M. L. Tupper, coal,	\$7 75	
H. M. White, groceries,	4 00	
	<hr/>	\$11 75

CAROLINE MCGINNESS.

Paid A. C. Hollenbeck, burial,	\$15 00	
	<hr/>	\$15 00

TERENCE STARR AND FAMILY.

Paid J. F. Sheppard & Sons, coal,	\$5 00	
John Crane, shoes,	4 00	
T. H. Dearing, medical attendance, .	20 00	
	<hr/>	\$29 00

MRS. O'SULLIVAN AND CHILD.

Paid W. H. Doble, groceries,	\$13 04	
J. F. Sheppard & Sons, fuel,	37 53	
	<hr/>	\$50 57

THOMAS J. GRIFFIN.

Paid Noah Torrey, medical attendance, . .	\$ 75	
C. D. Harloe, medicine,	90	
J. F. Sheppard & Sons, coal,	10 25	
	<hr/>	\$11 90

MRS. E. NIGHTENGALE.

Paid Noah Torrey, medical attendance, . .	\$1 00	
	<hr/>	\$1 00

LEONARDO MORALES.

Paid G. D. Bullock, medical attendance, . .	\$5 00	
C. D. Harloe, medicine,	1 00	
	<hr/>	\$6 00

THOMAS J. DALTON AND FAMILY.

Paid James Wilson, groceries,	\$2 00	
S. E. Hobart, clothing,	17 98	
J. F. Sheppard & Sons,	9 21	
T. H. Dearing, medical attendance, . .	12 00	
John Crane, shoes,	2 50	
	<hr/>	\$43 69

MRS. WILLIAM HEARN AND FAMILY.

Paid aid, cash,	\$150 00	
J. F. Sheppard & Sons, fuel,	7 65	
	<hr/>	\$157 65

POOR PERSON, (REFUNDED.)

Paid,	\$3 00	
	<hr/>	\$3 00

BERTIE AND ANNA JONES.

Paid George B. Jones, support of,	.	.	\$106 00	
			<u> </u>	\$106 00

GORMAN CHILDREN.

Paid H. A. Pettengill, groceries,	.	.	\$10 00	
Bryant & Co., groceries,	.	.	41 00	
James Wilson & Co., groceries,	.	.	6 00	
John Crane, shoes,	.	.	4 05	
J. F. Sheppard & Sons, fuel,	.	.	1 88	
			<u> </u>	\$62 93

BETSEY WILD.

Paid George T. Wild, groceries,	.	.	\$28 95	
A. C. Hollenbeck, burial,	.	.	15 00	
			<u> </u>	\$43 95

HARRIET L. MANSFIELD.

Paid Town of Randolph, aid,	.	.	\$5 00	
A. L. Chace, medical attendance,	.	.	28 00	
			<u> </u>	\$33 00

MRS. SANDERSON AND FAMILY.

Paid H. M. White, groceries,	.	.	\$42 29	
			<u> </u>	\$42 29

JOSEPH W. THAYER.

Paid H. M. White, groceries,	.	.	\$44 00	
J. F. Sheppard & Sons, fuel,	.	.	4 38	
			<u> </u>	\$48 38

LEAVETT GIRL.

Paid Noah Torrey, medical aid,	.	.	\$4 50	
			<u> </u>	\$4 50

POOR PERSON, (REFUNDED,)

Paid,	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$24 67	
							<u> </u>	\$24 67

POOR OF OTHER CITIES AND TOWNS.

MATTHEW FINNAN, (CHARGED TO BOSTON.)

Paid M. L. Tupper, coal,	\$3 75	
	<hr/>	\$3 75

JOHN SHEEHAN AND FAMILY, (TO WEYMOUTH.)

Paid John Crane, shoes,	\$2 00	
T. H. Dearing, medical attendance,	25 00	
	<hr/>	\$27 00

JOHN MCCANNELL, (TO STATE.)

Paid James E. Wheeler, nursing,	\$4 50	
Elisha Saville, nursing,	1 50	
Munroe Belcher, nursing,	26 00	
	<hr/>	\$32 00

DANIEL F. O'SULLIVAN, (TO STATE.)

Paid Mrs. T. Cronin, board,	\$48 00	
T. H. Dearing, medical attendance,	12 00	
	<hr/>	\$60 00

WILLIAM R. LYNCH, (TO BROCKTON.)

Paid C. H. Hobart, groceries,	\$37 56	
	<hr/>	\$37 56

MRS. A. L. COLE AND FAMILY, (TO BROCKTON.)

Paid H. M. White, groceries,	\$69 00	
M. L. Tupper, fuel	25 63	
Ambler & Hobart, fuel,	1 90	
R. Porter, meat,	3 93	
A. C. Hollenbeck, burial,	15 00	
	<hr/>	\$115 46

MRS. EDMUND BURKE, (TO FOXBORO.)

Paid W. A. Torrey, medicine,	\$2 90	
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STRANGER, (TO STATE.)

Paid A. C. Hollenbeck, burial of, . . .	\$10 00	
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ALVA M. NIGHTENGALE, (TO DUXBURY.)

Paid H. M. White, groceries, . . .	\$6 00	
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HENRY CHURCH, (TO BOSTON.)

Paid T. H. Dearing, medical attendance, .	\$5 00	
	<hr/>	\$5 00

C. A. STEVENSON, (TO RANDOLPH.)

Paid H. M. White, groceries, . . .	\$9 00	
M. L. Tupper, coal, . . .	3 50	
	<hr/>	\$12 50

Total cost of Poor, . . .		\$1,669 49
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Cr.

Due from Boston for Matthew Finnan, .	\$3 75	
from Boston for Henry Church, .	5 00	
from State for burial of stranger, .	10 00	
from State for John McCannell, .	32 00	
from State for Daniel F. O'Sullivan, .	60 00	
from Brockton for William R. Lynch, .	37 56	
from Weymouth for John Sheehan, .	27 00	
from Foxboro for Mrs. E. Burke, .	2 90	
from Duxbury for A. M. Nightengale, .	6 00	
from Randolph for C. A. Stevenson, .	12 50	
from Brockton for Mrs. A. L. Cole, .	37 46	
Received of Brockton for Mrs. A. L. Cole, .	78 00	
of poor person (refunded), . . .	24 67	
of poor person (refunded), . . .	3 00	
	<hr/>	\$339 84
Net cost of poor out of Alms-house, . . .		\$1,329 65

HOSPITALS.

NO APPROPRIATION.

Dr.

Paid Taunton Hospital for board of insane,	\$311 34	
State, for board of Annie E. Mellus, .	35 75	
City of Boston, for board of Annie		
E. Mellus,	70 00	
	<hr/>	\$417 09

Cr.

To money refunded (see Treasurer's ac-		
count),	\$169 46	
Due for support of Alden Bowditch, .	77 80	
Due from C. S. Nash, guardian of Annie		
E. Mellus,	105 75	
Due from Robert Dickey,	64 08	
	<hr/>	\$417 09

STATE AID, Chap. 301.

NO APPROPRIATION.

Cash paid soldiers and families of soldiers		
from Feb. 1, 1889, to Feb. 1, 1890,	\$1,161 00	
Cash paid soldiers and families of soldiers		
for Dec. 1888, and Jan. 1889, .	200 00	
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Due from State,		\$1,361 00

SOLDIERS' AID, Chap. 252.

Appropriation,	\$350 00	
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Paid George B. Jones,	\$48 00	
S. G. Buker,	120 00	
C. S. Chandler,	48 00	
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Amount carried forward,	\$216 00	

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	.	.	.	\$216	00
Paid L. A. Dyer,	.	.	.	48	00
John O'Keefe,	.	.	.	48	00
Henry O. Pratt,	.	.	.	68	00
Charles N. Richards,	.	.	.	66	00
Charles Remington,	.	.	.	24	00
James N. Tower,	.	.	.	12	00
T. B. Stoddard,	.	.	.	12	00
J. C. Snow,	.	.	.	120	00
George H. Randall,	.	.	.	8	00
S. E. Whitmarsh,	.	.	.	144	00
A. C. Hollenbeck, burial of J. Nettle-					
ton,	.	.	.	26	00
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					\$792 00

Cr.

One half due from State,	396 00	
For December, 1888, and January,		
1889,	48 00	
	<hr/>	\$444 00

GENERAL REPAIRS OF HIGHWAYS.

A. O. CLARK, SURVEYOR.

Appropriation,	\$4,000 00
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Paid Andrew Dyer, $85\frac{1}{2}\frac{3}{4}$ days' work, at \$2.00,	\$171 30
Andrew Dyer, $80\frac{1}{2}\frac{7}{8}$ days' work, team, at \$1.50,	121 27
Michael Brandley, $17\frac{1}{4}$ days' work, man, at \$1.75,	30 19
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$322 76

<i>Amount brought forward,</i> . . .	\$322 76
Paid Michael Brandley, $17\frac{3}{4}$ days' work, team, at \$1.50,	26 62
Thomas Huston, 37 days' work, at \$1.75,	64 75
Thomas Huston, 21 days' work, team, at \$1.50,	31 50
Jacob S. Dyer, $22\frac{3}{10}$ days' work, at \$1.75,	39 90
Jacob S. Dyer, $20\frac{3}{10}$ days' work, team, at \$1.50,	30 45
Jacob S. Dyer, 5 posts, at 25 cents, .	1 25
J. B. Wood, 1 day's work, team, at \$1.50,	1 50
William F. Dyer, 10 days' work, man, at \$1.75,	17 50
William F. Dyer, $8\frac{1}{2}$ days' work, team, at \$1.50,	12 75
William R. Lynch, $\frac{1}{10}$ days' work, self and team,	1 95
Albert A. Drollett, 2 days' work, man and team, at \$3.25,	6 50
Patrick Moils, 9 days' work, man and team, at \$3.25,	29 25
Joseph W. Huff, 3 days' work, man and team, at \$3.25,	9 75
Horace F. Hunt, 36 days' work, at \$1.75,	64 31
Josiah F. Holbrook, $76\frac{1}{2}\frac{2}{5}$ days' work, at \$1.75,	134 65
Alden H. Holbrook, $38\frac{3}{4}$ days' work, at \$1.75,	67 81
Thomas Holland, $9\frac{3}{4}$ days' work, at \$1.75,	17 06
Morris O'Connor, 19 days' work, at \$1.75,	33 25
Michael Tenney, 9 days' work, at \$1.75,	15 75
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	<hr/> \$929 26

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$929 26
Paid John L. Hussey, $36\frac{9}{10}$ days' work, at \$1.75,	64 57
John Rennie, 3 days' work, at \$2.00,	6 00
Edward Hunter, $27\frac{4}{10}$ days' work, at \$1.75,	47 92
David Bright, $5\frac{3}{10}$ days' work, at \$1.75,	9 26
Charles A. Holbrook, 8 days' work, at \$1.75,	14 00
Morrill Williams, 1 day's work, at \$2.00,	2 00
N. H. Hunt, 186 loads of gravel, at 8 cents,	14 88
W. M. Babbitt, 381 loads of gravel, at 5 cents,	19 05
George W. Jones, 194 loads of gravel, at 10 cents,	19 40
Andrew Havey, 18 loads of gravel, at 10 cents,	1 80
Thayer Academy, 216 loads of gravel, at $16\frac{2}{3}$ cents,	36 00
Atherton T. Wild, 10 loads of rotten stone, at 15 cents,	1 50
William H. Carberry, 6 grates and frames,	27 50
O. C. R. R., freight, grates and frames,	1 10
Elijah C. Hall, $\frac{1}{2}$ of concrete sidewalk,	9 60
Benjamin Johnson, lumber for fence and bridge,	68 31
Thomas Penniman, building fence,	14 37
Joseph Dyer, 156 posts,	18 10
M. L. Tupper, drain pipe,	67 77
M. L. Tupper, lumber,	17 87
C. H. Hobart, supplies,	4 35
H. M. White, spikes, nails, etc.,	4 06
Edward Shay, blacksmith work,	4 70
	<hr/> \$1,403 37

STONE ROAD.

Paid Andrew Dyer, 61½ days' labor, at \$2.00,	\$123 00
Andrew Dyer, 57½ days, team, at \$1.50,	86 25
Michael Brandley, 45 days, man, at \$1.75,	78 75
Michael Brandley, 46½ days, team, at \$1.50,	69 15
Michael Brandley, 10 days, man and 2 horses, at \$5.00,	50 00
Michael Brandley, coal,	28 61
Jacob S. Dyer, 38 days, at \$1.75,	66 50
Jacob S. Dyer, 44½ days, team, at \$1.50,	66 75
Peter Mooney, 6 days' labor, at \$1.75,	10 50
Peter Mooney, 5 days' team, at \$1.50,	7 50
Patrick Moils, 36½ days, man and team, at \$3.25,	118 62
William R. Lynch, 10¼ days, man and team, at \$3.25,	33 30
William F. Dyer, 38½ days, man, at \$1.75,	67 37
William F. Dyer, 37½ days, team, at \$1.50,	56 25
William F. Dyer, 5 loads of stone, at 5 cents,	25
Thomas Huston, 35½ days, self and team, at \$3.25,	116 02
Patrick Maguire, 30 days, self and team, at \$3.25,	97 50
Albert A. Drollett, 34½ days, self and team, at \$3.25,	112 12
Alden H. Holbrook, 7½ days, self, at \$1.75,	13 12
Alden H. Holbrook, 33½ days, at \$2.00,	67 00
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	<u>\$1,268 56</u>

<i>Amount brought forward,</i> . . .	\$1,268 56
Paid Alden H. Holbrook, 10 loads of stone, at 5 cents,	50
Horace F. Hunt, 5 days, at \$1.75, . .	8 75
John L. Hussey, 52 days, at \$1.75, . .	91 00
Michael Tenney, 4 days, at \$1.75, . .	7 00
Michael Tenney, $38\frac{3}{4}$ days, at \$2.00, . .	77 50
Benjamin Decosta, $3\frac{2}{10}$ days, at \$1.75,	5 60
Thomas Levangie, $3\frac{2}{10}$ days, at \$1.75, . .	5 60
Edwin Davis, $1\frac{1}{4}$ days, at \$1.75, . .	2 19
John Levangie, 2 days, at \$1.75, . .	3 50
Edward Hunter, $34\frac{1}{2}$ days, at \$1.75, . .	60 37
Josiah F. Holbrook, $34\frac{1}{2}$ days, at \$1.75,	60 37
George B. Jones, 23 days, at \$1.75, . .	40 25
David Bright, $20\frac{1}{2}$ days, at \$1.75, . .	35 87
George C. Glover, carting 441 loads of stone, at 35 cents,	154 35
Abijah A. Glover, carting 350 loads of stone, at 35 cents,	122 50
J. Wallace Young, carting 384 loads of stone, at 35 cents,	134 40
Alexander McGaw, carting 318 loads of stone, at 35 cents,	111 30
Herbert G. White, carting 281 loads of stone, at 35 cents,	98 35
C. C. Hill, carting 14 loads of stone, at 35 cents,	4 90
A. McGaw, 92 loads of gravel, at 6 cents,	5 52
George B. French, 157 loads of gravel, at 6 cents,	9 42
N. H. Hunt, 80 loads of gravel, at 8 cents,	6 40
Nightingale & Childs, jaw plates, . .	80 86
O. C. R. R., freight,	4 49
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$2,399 55

<i>Amount brought forward,</i> . . .	\$2,399 55	
Paid Walworth Manufacturing Company,		
supplies,	5 80	
A. J. Wilkinson, supplies,	3 06	
O. M. Rogers, repairs and supplies, .	25 78	
Boston Belting Company, belt, . .	2 52	
William H. Cobb, tools,	37 67	
Masury & Young, oil,	2 00	
H. H. Thayer, blacksmith work. . .	11 62	
M. L. Tupper, coal,	36 10	
M. L. Tupper, engine house and lumber,	52 95	
J. M. Allen, removing and returning		
boiler,	50 00	
E. Kendall & Sons, new boiler and		
repairs,	437 33	
C. H. Hobart, supplies,	2 88	
H. M. White, supplies,	12 93	
Thayer Academy, 211 loads of gravel,		
at 16 $\frac{2}{3}$ cents,	35 17	
	<hr/>	\$3115 36

DRAWBRIDGE.

NO APPROPRIATION.

Paid S. F. Whitmarsh, labor on repairs,	\$5 81	
S. F. Whitmarsh, care of bridge, . .	90 00	
	<hr/>	\$95 81

REPAIRS OF HIGHWAYS.

N. F. HUNT, SURVEYOR.

Paid Joseph M. Allen, self, 11 days, at		
\$2.00,	\$22 00	
Joseph M. Allen, double team and		
man, 13 $\frac{1}{2}$ days, at \$5.00,	67 50	
Joseph M. Allen, single team, 6 days,		
at \$3.25,	19 50	
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$109 00	

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$109 00
Joseph M. Allen, carting gravel and ashes,	6 50
Charles I. Craibe, self, $15\frac{4}{5}$ days, at \$2.00,	31 60
Charles I. Craibe, self and team, $5\frac{1}{2}$ days, at \$3.25,	16 90
Charles I. Craibe, single team, 4 days, at \$1.50,	6 00
Charles I. Craibe, two horses, $11\frac{3}{4}$ days, at \$3.00,	4 95
Thomas Arthurs, self, $62\frac{4}{10}$ days, at \$1.75,	109 20
Michael Bentley, $29\frac{3}{4}$ days, at \$1.75,	52 06
Andrew Gott, self and team, $27\frac{9}{10}$ days, at \$3.25,	89 21
Thomas J. Griffin, $37\frac{1}{4}$ days, at \$1.75,	65 18
Matthew Smith, self and team, $33\frac{1}{2}$ days, at \$1.75,	110 01
Matthew Smith, $8\frac{1}{2}$ days, at \$1.75,	14 87
Micheal Quinn, $11\frac{3}{4}$ days, at \$1.75,	20 56
Morris Gurney, self and team, $8\frac{1}{4}$ days, at \$3.25,	26 81
Morris Gurney, self and double team, 13 days, at \$5.00,	65 00
William H. Gurney, $5\frac{1}{2}$ days, at \$1.75,	9 10
Estate of Geo. S. Baker, mattock pick,	1 00
James Connell, $10\frac{1}{2}$ days, at \$3.25,	34 28
Thomas Missett, $51\frac{1}{2}$ days, at \$1.75,	90 21
Everett Harris, $\frac{4}{10}$ day, at \$2.00, .	80
Everett Harris, $1\frac{1}{10}$ days, at \$1.75, .	1 92
Elijah F. Arnold, $\frac{6}{10}$ day, at \$1.75 .	1 05
J. F. Sheppard & Sons, double team and man, $12\frac{1}{2}$ days, at \$5.00, .	62 50
J. E. Hayward, $\frac{4}{10}$ day, at \$2.00, .	80
J. E. Hayward, self and team, $\frac{2}{10}$ day, at \$3.25,	65
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	<hr/> \$930 16

<i>Amount brought forward,</i> . . .	\$930 16
Paid J. E. Hayward, 60 loads of gravel and spreading same, at 35 cents, . .	21 00
J. E. Hayward, carting grate and pipe, . .	2 25
J. E. Hayward, powder, fuse and drills,	30
Timothy O'Keefe, $12\frac{1}{2}$ days, at \$1.75, . .	21 87
Luke Mulligan, $16\frac{1}{2}$ days, at \$1.75, . .	29 40
James Croke, $10\frac{3}{10}$ days, at \$1.75, . .	18 02
John Renn, $\frac{6}{10}$ day, at \$1.75,	1 05
Freeman L. Thayer, $\frac{3}{10}$ day, at \$1.75, . .	52
Judah A. Loring, $\frac{1}{10}$ day, at \$1.75, . .	17
James A. Reynolds, 1 day, at \$2.00, . .	2 00
William Allen, self, 1 day, at \$3.00, . .	3 00
William Allen, man, 2 days, at \$2.25,	4 50
B. J. Loring, Jr., self, $1\frac{9}{10}$ days, at \$3.10,	5 88
B. J. Loring, Jr., man, $4\frac{7}{10}$ days, at \$2.75,	11 48
Luther Thayer, 59 loads gravel and spreading same, at 35 cents,	20 65
Mrs. B. T. Loring, 24 loads gravel, at 6 cents,	1 44
Arthur Hobart, 272 loads gravel, at 6 cents,	16 32
Arthur Hobart, 40 loads gravel and spreading same, at 25 cents,	10 00
T. A. Watson, 39 loads gravel, at 6 cents,	2 34
Cornelius Green, 696 loads gravel, at 6 cents,	41 76
James H. Thayer, 51 loads gravel, at 8 cents,	4 08
R. A. Gage, 2 loads gravel, at 10 cents, . .	20
Bryant & Co., 7 loads gravel, at 40 cents,	2 80
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	<hr/> \$1,151 19

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$1,151 19	
Paid Bryant & Co., man, 7 hours, at 20 cents,	1 40	
Jenkins Manufacturing Co., 25 loads ashes, at 10 cents,	2 50	
O. W. Allen, 1 axe,	90	
O. W. Allen, 1 pail cement,	25	
Loud & Pratt, lumber, drain pipe and nails,	36 10	
C. B. Huston, building catch basins and setting pipe,	9 35	
J. B. Rhines, lumber, drain pipe, bricks and cement,	17 10	
S. W. Pratt, drain pipe,	4 47	
M. L. Tupper, drain pipe,	127 32	
F. O. Whitmarsh, setting grates,	5 30	
W. I. Jordan, grates and blacksmith work,	11 70	
	<hr/>	\$1367 58

REPAIRS OF HIGHWAYS.

R. ALLEN GAGE, SURVEYOR.

Paid R. Allen Gage, men and team, 103 $\frac{7}{10}$ days, at \$3.25,	\$337 04	
R. Allen Gage, horse and cart, 14 days, at \$1.50,	21 00	
R. Allen Gage, 2 men and teams, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ days, at \$5.00,	12 50	
R. Allen Gage, 1 man, 15 days, at \$1.75,	26 25	
R. Allen Gage, 1 man, 2 days, at \$2.00,	4 00	
R. Allen Gage, stock and labor,	1 00	
R. Allen Gage, 7 cedar posts, at 40 cents,	2 80	
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$404 59	

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$404 59
Paid R. Allen Gage, 42 loads gravel, at 10 cents,	4 20
G. D. Whittaker, $67\frac{9}{10}$ days' labor, self, at \$1.75,	118 82
John Maher, $54\frac{3}{10}$ days' labor, self, at \$1.75,	94 77
Michael O'Brien, $14\frac{1}{2}$ days' labor, self, at \$1.75,	25 37
Michael O'Brien, $2\frac{4}{5}$ days' labor, man, at \$1.75,	3 94
Michael O'Brien, $35\frac{3}{5}$ days, man and team, at \$3.25,	115 70
Michael O'Brien, $3\frac{4}{5}$ days, team,	5 70
Michael O'Brien, cement,	25
George Hill, $39\frac{1}{10}$ days' labor, self and team, at \$3.25,	127 07
Abraham Mead, $31\frac{3}{10}$ days, self, at \$1.75,	54 78
Michael Mohan, $3\frac{4}{5}$ days, self, at \$1.75,	6 65
Timothy Cronin, $7\frac{2}{5}$ days, self, at \$1.75,	12 95
William Spear, $15\frac{4}{5}$ days, self, at \$1.75,	27 65
William May, $9\frac{4}{5}$ days, double team, at \$5.00,	49 00
William May, 3 days, man and team, at \$3.25,	9 75
Albert Drollett, 2 days, self and team, at \$3.25,	6 50
Albert Drollett, 4 days, 1 man, at \$1.75,	7 00
Joseph Crickmay, $3\frac{4}{5}$ days, self, at \$1.75,	6 65
C. W. Holbrook, $12\frac{1}{10}$ days, self, at \$1.75,	21 17
Albert A. Libby & Co., pavers,	168 25
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	<hr/> \$1,270 76

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$1,270 76	
Paid J. B. Rhines, lumber and drain pipe,	9 90	
J. M. Arnold, supplies,	10 81	
Hollis & Weeks, supplies,	2 25	
N. R. Procter, supplies,	1 00	
Robert Gillespie, blacksmith work,	3 59	
W. L. Faxon, 1140 loads gravel, at 7 cents,	79 80	
Otis Thayer, 158 loads gravel, at 6 cents,	9 48	
Thayer Academy, 24 loads gravel, 16½ cents,	4 00	
J. A. Mullalley, painting signs,	11 90	
	<hr/>	\$1,403 49
Total for repairs of highways,		<hr/> \$4,174 44

REMOVAL OF SNOW.

Appropriation,		\$500 00
Paid by Selectmen, sundry bills for removing snow,	\$30 10	
	<hr/>	\$30 10

FOREST FIRE WARDS.

Paid Edward O. Pierson, self and men, work at forest fires,	\$8 25	
I. Francis Vinton, self and men at forest fires,	3 25	
	<hr/>	\$11 50

COUNSEL FEES, ETC.

Paid Edward Avery, in water suits, etc.,	\$3,784 10	
Edward Avery, in Doherty case,	150 00	
J. Herbert Shedd, engineer, water suits,	500 00	
William C. Boyce, (estate),	665 47	
Thomas E. Major, stenographer,	1,077 50	
	<hr/>	\$6,177 07

INSURANCE ON PUBLIC BUILDINGS.

Appropriation,		\$500 00
Paid C. A. Belcher, insurance,	\$135 50	
E. F. E. Thayer, insurance,	211 02	
	<hr/>	\$346 52

STANDISH AVENUE.

Appropriation,		\$150 00
Paid Andrew Dyer, self and team, 7 days, at \$3.50,	\$24 50	
Thomas Huston, self, 2 days, at \$1.75,	3 50	
Thomas Huston, self and team, and man, 6 days, at \$5.00,	30 00	
Herbert G. White, man and team, 5 days, at \$3.25,	16 25	
Jacob S. Dyer, self and team, 5 days, at \$3.25,	16 25	
Horace F. Hunt, 8 days, at \$1.75 .	14 00	
Alden H. Holbrook, 7 days, at \$1.75,	12 25	
Josiah F. Holbrook, 8 days, at \$1.75,	14 00	
Michael Tenney, 6 days, at \$1.75, .	10 50	
Morris O'Connor, 8 days, at \$1.75; .	14 00	
	<hr/>	\$155 25

EXTENSION OF TREMONT STREET.

Appropriation,		\$250 00
Paid Andrew Dyer, self and team, 6 days, at \$3.50,	\$21 00	
Thomas Huston, self, 9 days, at \$1.75,	15 75	
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	<hr/>	\$36 75

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$36 75	
Paid Thomas Huston, team, 3 days, at \$1.50,	4 50	
Edward Huston, 3 days, at \$1.75,	5 25	
Michael Tenney, 9 days, at \$1.75,	15 75	
Alden H. Holbrook, 9 days, at \$1.75,	15 75	
J. F. Holbrook, 9 days, at \$1.75,	15 75	
Morris Q'Connor, 7½ days, at \$1.75,	13 12	
Horace F. Hunt, 5 days, at \$1.75,	8 75	
Thayer Academy, 52 loads of gravel, at 16⅔ cents,	8 66	
	<hr/>	\$124 28

GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.

Appropriation,	\$150 00	
Paid M. A. Perkins, quartermaster of Post 87,	\$150 00	
	<hr/>	\$150 00

ABATEMENT AND COLLECTION OF TAXES.

Appropriation,	\$600 00	
Paid Nathaniel F. Hunt, abatement on tax of 1887,	\$138 60	
Nathaniel F. Hunt, collecting tax of 1887,	451 38	
David H. B. Thayer, abatement of tax of 1888,	130 20	
John Bowditch, abatement of tax of 1889,	8 60	
Edward S. Dean, abatement of tax of 1889,	2 00	
	<hr/>	\$730 78

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Appropriation, \$1,000 00

UNION, No. 1.

Paid R. M. Loring, services as steward,	\$50 00	
R. M. Loring, paint and labor, . . .	2 00	
James Wilson, supplies,	1 54	
John Sheehan, services in 1888, . . .	10 00	
Robert Brooks, setting glass,	75	
Estate of George S. Baker, lock and key,	1 50	
B. J. Loring, Jr., stock and labor, . .	7 76	
A. W. Taylor, supplies,	1 53	
Joseph I. Bates, stove and pipe, . . .	8 15	
Joseph I. Bates, repairs on bell deck and skylight,	9 70	
J. F. Sheppard, fuel,	9 00	
D. H. B. Thayer, (collector) pay of 14 members,	28 00	
	<hr/>	\$129 93

BUTCHER BOY, No. 2.

Paid W. J. Loring, services as steward,	\$50 00	
Boston Woven Hose Co., for hose, . .	292 00	
J. B. Ford, repairs on house,	2 00	
J. H. Clark, labor and paint,	1 40	
W. A. Torrey, supplies,	85	
B. J. Loring, Jr., making plans, . . .	1 25	
H. B. Whitman, supplies,	4 00	
C. H. Hobart, supplies,	6 66	
Edward Shay, iron work,	1 25	
C. B. Woodsum, expressing and horse hire,	6 20	
	<hr/>	\$365 61

HOOK AND LADDER COMPANY.

Paid James Maher, services as steward,	\$30 00	
Boston Woven Hose Co., hose carriage,	150 00	
F. O. Whitmarsh, conveying hose carriage from Stoneham, . . .	10 00	
F. A. Bates, repairs on truck, . . .	2 10	
Robert Gillespie, repairs on truck, . . .	1 75	
A. Woodworth, repairs on truck, . . .	1 00	
N. R. Procter, postal cards and stamps,	62	
Hollis & Weeks, supplies,	4 27	
James Maher, one load of gravel, . . .	65	
William May, drawing truck to fire, . . .	5 00	
J. H. G. Robinson, repairs on house, . . .	41 26	
	<hr/>	\$246 65

ENGINEERS AND INCIDENTALS.

Paid Thomas W. Lincoln, jumper,	\$5 56	
E. O. Pierson, services and expenses,	2 80	
M. A. Perkins, services and expenses,	3 06	
F. O. Whitmarsh, services,	2 00	
M. A. Perkins, services,	2 00	
	<hr/>	\$15 42
Total,		<hr/> \$757 61

TOWN HALL.

NO APPROPRIATION.

Paid Frank A. Bates, labor and stock, plumbing,	\$389 57	
Martin Bannon, digging for drain,	1 50	
Gilbert & Baker, gasoline,	29 00	
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	<hr/> \$420 07	

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$420 07	
Paid Walworth Manufacturing Co., gaso- line,	69 55	
Drew & Coffin, covering steam pipes, etc.,	106 50	
Braintree Water Supply Co., laying pipe,	78 57	
Braintree Water Supply Co., for water,	37 92	
M. L. Tupper, lumber and labor,	80 60	
M. L. Tupper, voting booths,	26 82	
M. L. Tupper, coal,	140 51	
Michael Brandley, coal,	52 20	
J. F. Sheppard & Sons, coal,	10 13	
T. B. Stoddard, paint and labor,	81 91	
C. H. Hobart, supplies,	17 66	
C. C. Webster, mason work,	17 25	
E. A. Dustin, repairing and tuning piano,	7 00	
Bradford & Mansfield, oil,	9 17	
W. A. Torrey, supplies,	2 60	
Bradford & Clark, setting glass,	1 00	
Thomas W. Herrick, carpenter work,	1 00	
Lyman E. Penniman, use of pump,	1 50	
Edward Shay, iron work,	1 00	
Sundry persons, repairs on target,	19 04	
James T. Stevens, services and ex- penses on heating,	5 00	
W. A. Grant, kindlings,	5 20	
C. B. Woodsum, expressing,	15 65	
	<hr/>	\$1,207 85

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Received of State, armory rent,	\$200 00	
Of sundry persons for use of hall,	320 00	
Of E. C. Hall, for water traps,	1 75	
For sale of stove,	10 00	
Due for use of hall,	20 75	
	<hr/>	\$552 50

JANITOR.

Appropriation,		<u>\$600 00</u>
Paid J. R. Carmichael, care of Town House, Library and Pond school- house,	\$600 00	<u>\$600 00</u>

TOWN LANDS.

Appropriation,		<u>\$100 00</u>
Paid Vinton & Son, grass dressing, . . .	\$4 50	
Braintree Water Supply Co., remov- ing hydrant,	29 25	
R. A. Gage, manure,	25 00	
O. M. Rogers, repairs on pump,	1 05	
	<u></u>	\$59 80

THAYER PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Appropriation,		<u>\$700 00</u>
Paid Nathaniel H. Hunt, Treasurer of Trustees,	\$700 00	
Credit to cash received for sale of cata- logues,		\$8 00

DISTRIBUTING BOOKS.

Appropriation,		<u>\$100 00</u>
Paid Alverdo Mason, distributing books, .	\$25 00	
Theodore Edson, carrying books, . . .	27 00	
	<u></u>	\$52 00

INCIDENTAL EXPENSES.

Appropriation,	\$1,200 00
Paid D. A. Harrington, surveying, . . .	\$43 00
E. A. Harris, distributing town re- ports,	4 00
John Stoddard, distributing town re- ports,	3 00
James Maher, distributing town re- ports,	4 00
W. A. Kane, refreshments for Regis- trars,	3 00
Vinton & Son, horse hire for B. J. Loring, Jr.,	5 00
Vinton & Son, damage to barge, . . .	6 00
Green & Prescott, printing town and school reports,	226 48
Green & Prescott, printing, . . .	211 76
J. F. Bates, cash expenses, . . .	5 00
James Ward, land damage, . . .	100 00
William May, self and men, pumping well at A. French's,	4 50
F. A. Olliver, distributing votes, . .	1 00
S. S. B. French, distributing votes, . .	1 00
Alverdo Mason, distributing votes, . .	1 00
W. J. Loring, pumping well at Asa French's,	1 00
G. B. Jones, pumping well at Asa French's,	87
Butcher Boy Company, pumping well at Asa French's,	15 00
Aaron Gay, stationery, books, etc., . .	11 96
Freeman Hunt, settlement of Martin's suit,	60 00
Secretary of State, copies of docu- ments,	2 00
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	<i>\$709 57</i>

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$709 57
Paid J. L. Eldredge, settlement of Doherty case,	440 00
E. L. Burdakin, transcript of records,	20 00
A. Dyer, horse hire,	4 00
W. A. Torrey, stamps and pencils,	2 40
Thomas Groom, tax book,	2 00
T. H. Dearing, returning births,	16 75
C. H. Hobart, supplies,	3 93
John Hall, carriages for Commissioners,	12 00
G. R. M. Bestick, refreshments,	1 00
C. E. Smart, refreshments,	3 50
F. W. Barry, pencils,	75
Dr. S. C. Bridgham, returning births,	3 50
G. W. Tinkham, returning births,	1 25
M. L. Tupper, repairing pumping station,	2 75
F. A. Bates, repairs on pump,	1 00
T. J. Cain, horse hire	4 00
A. C. Hollenbeck, returning deaths,	2 25
A. O. Clark, cash expenses,	62 35
R. A. Gage, cash expenses,	10 00
R. A. Gage, use of team,	10 00
N. F. Hunt, cash expenses,	15 04
A. J. Bates, cash expenses,	8 12
Samuel A. Bates, returning and recording 56 marriages,	8 40
Samuel A. Bates, returning and recording 105 births,	52 50
Samuel A. Bates, returning and recording 73 deaths,	18 80
Samuel A. Bates, issuing 77 permits of burial,	7 70
Samuel A. Bates, taking school census,	25 00
Samuel A. Bates, making affidavits,	10 00
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	<hr/> \$1,458 56

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$1,458 56
Paid Samuel A. Bates, time and expenses at court,	9 55
Samuel A. Bates, 326 hours' labor, copying,	97 80
Samuel A. Bates, cash paid for post- age and stationery,	7 93
Samuel A. Bates, cash paid for record book,	5 00
	<hr/> \$1,578 84

SINKING FUND.

Appropriation,	\$2,000 00
Paid Asa French, Chairman of Trustees,	\$2000 00

TOWN OFFICERS.

Paid A. O. Clark, services as Selectman, Assessor, Overseer of the Poor and Highway Surveyor,	\$600 00
N. F. Hunt, services as Selectman, Assessor, Overseer of the Poor and Highway Surveyor,	600 00
R. A. Gage, services as Selectman, Assessor, Overseer of the Poor and Highway Surveyor,	550 00
J. F. Bates, services as Selectman, Assessor, Overseer of the Poor and Highway Surveyor,	50 00
Andrew J. Bates, Treasurer,	200 00
Samuel A. Bates, Clerk,	50 00
Samuel A. Bates, Registrar of Voters,	35 00
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	<hr/> \$2,085 00

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$2,085 00
Paid Samuel A. Bates, Clerk of Registrars,	37 20
F. A. Hobart, Registrar of Voters,	35 00
Edward Avery, Registrar of Voters,	35 00
Alva S. Morrison, Registrar of Voters,	35 00
George D. Willis, Auditor,	15 00
C. G. Sheppard, Auditor,	15 00
John M. Beals, Auditor,	15 00
Horace Faxon, Constable,	37 20
Albert Hobart, Constable,	7 00
Conrad Mischler, Constable,	4 00
E. L. Curtis, Constable,	9 50
Thomas Downey, Constable,	5 00
B. J. Loring, Jr., Constable,	14 00
John Kelley, Constable,	14 00
James A. Reynolds, Constable,	9 00
G. D. Whittaker, Police,	3 00
Michael Mohan, Police,	3 00
E. O. Pierson, Police,	3 00
John V. Scollard, Deputy Inspector,	5 00
J. F. Bates, Inspector,	3 00
A. J. Bates, Inspector,	3 00
F. A. Hobart, services as Moderator,	25 00
	<hr/> \$2,416 90

RECAPITULATION.

Orders drawn for schools,	\$10,107 90
Superintendent of schools,	1,000 00
Incidentals for schools,	637 46
Incidentals for schoolhouses,	1,044 26
Text-books and supplies,	577 90
Poor in Almshouse,	2,478 43
Poor out of Almshouse,	1,669 49
Hospitals,	417 09
State Aid, (Chap. 301),	1,161 00
State Aid, (Chap. 252),	792 00
Repair of highways,	4,174 44
Stone road,	3,115 36
Tremont street extension,	124 28
Standish avenue,	155 25
Drawbridge and buoys,	95 81
Town Hall,	1,207 85
Janitor,	600 00
Town lands,	59 80
Public Library,	700 00
Distributing books,	52 00
Grand Army of the Republic,	150 00
Abatement and collection of taxes,	730 78
Fire Department,	757 61
Incidental expenses,	1,578 84
Insurance,	346 52
Town officers,	2,416 90
Removal of snow,	30 10
Forest fires,	11 50
Counsel fees, etc.,	6,177 07
Sinking fund,	2,000 00
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	\$44,369 64

ASSESSORS' ACCOUNT.

For support of schools,	\$9,100 00	
Incidentals for schools,	300 00	
Incidentals for schoolhouses,	800 00	
Superintendent of schools,	1,200 00	
Text-books and supplies,	700 00	
Repairs of highways,	4,000 00	
Stone road,	3,000 00	
Support of poor,	4,000 00	
Removal of snow,	500 00	
Public Library,	700 00	
Janitor,	600 00	
Town lands,	100 00	
Interest on town debt,	1,200 00	
Interest on water bonds,	4,000 00	
Sinking fund,	2,000 00	
Soldiers' Aid, Chap. 252,	350 00	
Collection and abatement of taxes,	600 00	
Insurance,	500 00	
Incidental expenses,	1,200 00	
Town officers,	2,400 00	
Expenses of law suits,	5,000 00	
Grand Army of the Republic,	150 00	
Fire Department,	1,000 00	
Transporting books,	100 00	
Extension of Tremont street,	250 00	
Standish avenue,	150 00	
Appropriation for heating Town House and Library, June 14, 1888,	2,500 00	
State tax,	3,460 00	
County tax,	2,191 26	
	<u>\$52,051 26</u>	
Less \$7,000, bank and corporation tax,	7,000 00	
	<u>\$45,051 26</u>	
Overlay,	\$944 16	
Since added,	18 60	
	<u>962 76</u>	
	<u>\$46,014 02</u>	

COLLECTOR'S ACCOUNT.

N. F. HUNT, COLLECTOR FOR 1887.

Dr.

Balance due on tax of 1887,	.	.	.	\$220 83	
Interest collected,	.	.	.	4 12	
				<u> </u>	\$224 95

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Cash paid Treasurer, principal,	.	.	.	\$220 83	
Cash paid Treasurer, interest,	.	.	.	4 12	
				<u> </u>	\$224 95

COLLECTOR'S ACCOUNT.

DAVID H. B. THAYER, COLLECTOR FOR 1888.

Dr.

Balance due on tax of 1888,	.	.	.	\$5,833 17	
				<u> </u>	\$5,833 17

Cr.

Cash paid Treasurer, principal,	.	.	.	\$5,023 60	
Due on tax of 1888,	.	.	.	809 57	
				<u> </u>	\$5,833 17

COLLECTOR'S ACCOUNT.

DAVID H. B. THAYER, COLLECTOR FOR 1889.

Dr.

Amount committed,	.	.	.	.	\$45,995 42	
Amount added,	.	.	.	.	18 60	
					<u> </u>	\$46,014 02

Cr.

Cash paid Treasurer,	.	.	.	.	\$39,285 05	
Due on tax of 1889,	.	.	.	.	6,728 97	
					<u> </u>	\$46,014 02

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.

ANDREW J. BATES, TREASURER.

Dr.

To balance per statement Feb. 1, 1889, . \$4,563 89

Cash received from :

N. F. Hunt, collector, 1887,	220 83
N. F. Hunt, collector, interest, 1887,	4 12
D. H. B. Thayer, collector, 1888,	5,023 60
D. H. B. Thayer, collector, 1889,	39,285 05
D. B. H. Thayer, collector, 1889, interest,	54 40
Joseph Dyer, Braintree school fund,	400 00
Superintendent of schools, discount on bills,	1 98
Superintendent of schools, damage to school books,	4 41
Union National Bank, interest on deposit,	119 80

Cash received from Overseers of the Poor :

Town of Canton,	27 00
Town of Weymouth,	17 00
City of Brockton,	202 25
City of Boston,	24 36
Robert Dickey, (hospital account),	100 00
Alden Bowditch, (hospital account),	169 92
Christian Hansen, (hospital account),	40 00
Individuals, to pay hospital bills,	169 46
Individuals, to pay Almshouse bills,	34 32
Christian Hansen, (Almshouse account),	113 75
Sale of cow, Almshouse,	35 00
Sale of produce from Almshouse,	36 93

Amount carried forward, \$50,648 07

Amount brought forward, . . . \$50,648 07

Cash received from Selectmen :

Sale of catalogues, Thayer Public Li-	
brary,	8 50
Burial lot, Edwin H. Spear, . . .	5 00
Burial lot, George A. Sproul, . . .	5 00
Burial lot, Mrs. J. S. Walker, . . .	5 00
Use of Town Hall,	320 00
Sale of stove,	10 00
Sale of water traps,	1 75
License, F. A. Burrell, 2 bowling	
alleys,	4 00
License, Fred P. Lothrop, billiard, .	6 00

Cash received from :

A. R. Dickinson, liquor license, . .	1 00
W. A. Torrey, liquor license, . . .	1 00

Cash received from Surveyors of Highways :

Use of road roller,	5 00
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Cash received from State Treasurer :

Corporation tax, 1888,	110 76
Corporation tax, 1889,	7,601 89
National Bank tax,	1,780 73
State Aid, (Chap. 252, Acts 1879), .	321 00
State Aid, (Chap. 301, Acts 1879), .	1,223 50
Rent of armory, (one year),	200 00
Income Massachusetts school fund, .	26 55
County Treasurer, dog tax,	760 40

Cash received from :

F. S. Moseley, (borrowed), 8 mos., $3\frac{1}{2}$	
per cent.,	5,000 00
State Treasurer, (borrowed), 7 mos.,	
$3\frac{3}{8}$ per cent.,	10,000 00
Trustees of the sinking fund of the	
town of Braintree,	4,080 00

—————\$82,125 15

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By cash paid on 763 orders drawn by Se-

lectmen,	\$44,369 64	
State Treasurer, liquor license, 1888,		50
State Treasurer, liquor license, 1889,		50
State Treasurer, corporation tax, 1888, (refunded),	794 47	
State Treasurer, State tax, 1889,	3,460 00	
County Treasurer, County tax, .	2,191 26	
W. S. Dexter, interest,	400 00	
N. H. Hunt, interest,	400 00	
F. S. Moseley, discount,	118 13	
State Treasurer, discount,	199 69	
Treasurer water works, (see water works account,)	4,000 00	
Note,	5,000 00	
Note,	10,000 00	
Trustees of sinking fund of the Town of Braintree, note of Jan. 31, 1889,	2,000 00	
Trustees of sinking fund, interest on Note,	80 00	
N. F. Hunt, tax deed, W. E. Jewell,	16 87	
Cash on deposit in Union National Bank, Weymouth,	9,094 09	
	<hr/>	\$82,125 15

THE TOWN OWES THE FOLLOWING NOTES

FEBRUARY 1, 1890.

Trustees of estate of General Sylvanus Thayer:

March 7, 1874, due on demand, at 4	
per cent.,	\$10,000 00
March 7, 1874, due on demand, at 4	
per cent.,	10,000 00

Trustees of sinking fund of town of Brain-
tree:

Note dated January 31, 1890, one year	
at 4 per cent.,	4,080 00
Outstanding order No. 561, drawn	
Jan. 10, 1887,	3 00
Unpaid bill of General Butler's, ren-	
dered August 22, 1888,	862 65
Sundry bills unpaid,	111 92
Bill due estate of William C. Boyce,	375 00
	<hr/> \$25,432 57
Less assets as per schedule on page 54, .	19,319 78
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Net debt of town Feb. 1, 1890,	\$6,112 79

ASSETS OF THE TOWN FEB. 1, 1890.

Balance in treasury,	\$9,094 09
Due from collector on tax of 1888,	809 57
From collector on tax of 1889,	6,728 97
From State, (State Aid, Chap. 301),	1,361 00
From State, (State Aid, Chap. 252),	444 00
From State, pauper account, 1889,	102 00
From State, pauper account, 1888,	22 70
From cities and towns, pauper account, 1889,	345 62
On hospital account, support of Alden Bowditch,	77 80
On hospital account, support of Robert Dickey,	64 08
On hospital account, support of Robert Dickey, 1888,	69 92
From C. S. Nash, guardian of Annie E. Mellus, Worcester Hospital,	35 75
From C. S. Nash, guardian of Annie E. Mellus, South Boston,	70 00
From sundry persons, use of Town Hall,	20 75
From E. Kendall & Sons, for old boiler,	20 00
Tax deed, Joseph I. Bates,	36 66
Tax deed, W. E. Jewell,	16 87
	<hr/> \$19,319 78

The town still owes General B. F. Butler for services since August 22, 1888, for which no bill has been rendered, also the town's portion of the bills due Commissioners for services in case of Water Company *vs.* Town of Braintree.

BRAINTREE SCHOOL FUND ACCOUNT.

JOSEPH DYER, TREASURER OF SCHOOL FUND.

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By cash on hand Feb. 1, 1889,	\$142 14	
Dividend from Granite National Bank,	60 00	
Dividend from Weymouth National		
Bank,	84 00	
Dividend from Eliot National Bank,	18 00	
Received of Elmer E. Denton, 9 months'		
rent to Oct. 1st,	131 25	
Town of Braintree, for 15 cords wood,	30 00	
A. O. Clark, for 3 cords wood,	6 00	
State, rebate on tax,	42 11	
G. W. Osgood, for rent of land, 6		
months,	12 50	
Elisha Saville, for rent of land 1		
year,	1 00	
From Braintree Savings Bank, in-		
terest,	11 18	
	<hr/>	\$538 18

Dr.

To J. B. Rhines & Co., bill for lumber, .	\$7 79	
Joseph Dyer, bill for posts,	2 50	
H. M. White, bill for book,	1 00	
Wales Brothers, for repairing pump,	5 00	
Cash paid Town Treasurer,	400 00	
Cash on hand,	121 89	
	<hr/>	\$538 18

REPORT OF BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS.

The Board of Water Commissioners respectfully report, that by reason of the vote of the town referred to in their last annual report, and owing to the fact that the litigation between the town and the Braintree Water Supply Company is still pending, they have taken no steps towards extending the water works belonging to the town.

The second appropriation of \$2,000.00 to the sinking fund has been invested in a new note of the town, the fund now amounting to \$4,080.00.

The usual appropriation for interest on the water loan, and for the sinking fund will be required.

ASA FRENCH,
A. C. DRINKWATER,
JOHN V. SCOLLARD,

Board of Water Commissioners.

Braintree, Feb. 1, 1890.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

(Water Works Account.)

ANDREW J. BATES, TREASURER.

Dr.

To balance per statement Feb. 1, 1889,	\$72,821 06
Cash received of town:	
Appropriation for interest on water	
bond,	4,000 00
Cash received of State National Bank:	
Interest on deposit to Feb. 1, 1890, .	1,832 84
	<hr/> \$78,653 90

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By cash paid on (2) orders drawn by	
Water Commissioners,	\$30 00
Cash paid on (1) order drawn by Select-	
men for services of C. H. Wallace	
as Commissioner, Treasurer, and	
Clerk of Board of Water Commis-	
sioners,	243 73
Cash paid on coupons on water bond, .	4,000 00
Cash on deposit in State National Bank,	
Boston,	74,380 17
	<hr/> \$78,653 90

We have examined the above account of A. J. Bates, treasurer, (water works account), and find that the balance of \$74,380.17 is actually on deposit in State National Bank to the credit of A. J. Bates, Treasurer.

GEORGE D. WILLIS,
JOHN M. BEALS,
ALVERDO MASON,

Auditors.

THAYER PUBLIC LIBRARY.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

The Library has been open during the year, 276 days.

Number of volumes borrowed, 21,286.

Average per day, 77+

The largest daily issue, 303,—Feb. 23.

The smallest daily issue, 12,—July 25.

The number of books circulated, of each class, is as follows :

History, 1,006.

Biography, 707.

Travel, 857.

Science, Art, etc., 659.

Fiction, 12,552.

Poetry, 678.

Juvenile, 2,194.

Miscellaneous, 1,459.

Reference, 1,174.

Number of bound volumes added, 376.

Number of pamphlets added, 264.

Number of borrowers recorded in register, 3,868.

Increase over last year, 211.

A. M. ARNOLD,

Librarian.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

From Town Treasurer, one year's interest	
on note,	\$400 00
Town Treasurer, town appropriation,	700 00
Librarian, for fines,	25 45
For catalogues,	8 50
Braintree Savings Bank, interest, .	4 09
Massury, Young & Co., discount on oil,	66
	<hr/> \$1,138 70

EXPENDITURES.

Paid Estes & Lauriat, books,	\$499 47
Houghton, Mifflin & Co., books,	11 00
Henry C. Nash, books,	18 00
A. H. Rolfe, magazines,	36 50
Library Bureau, binding,	7 32
George Coleman, binding,	3 00
J. C. Stockbridge, history,	4 00
F. W. Nash & Co., manilla slips,	1 25
A. M. Arnold, Librarian,	300 00
J. F. Sheppard & Sons, coal,	35 00
Patrick Moils, coal,	118 63
E. F. E. Thayer, insurance,	45 00
C. H. Hobart, oil,	16 66
Braintree Water Supply Co., water,	9 92
T. B. Stoddard, repairs,	6 60
E. L. Curtis, setting glass,	1 00
Beals & Co., feather duster,	2 25
Green & Prescott, printing,	4 25
Town of Braintree, kindlings,	3 60
A. M. Arnold, incidentals,	3 52
Town Treasurer, cash received for	
catalogues,	8 50
	<hr/> \$1,135 47
Balance in hands of Treasurer,	3 23
	<hr/> \$1,138 70

N. H. HUNT, *Treasurer.*

TRUSTEES' REPORT.

The past year has been one of marked prosperity with the Library. In the purchase of books, great care has been taken to select only those best calculated to interest and instruct, and, for the most part, such as have a permanent value. Important additions, also, have been made to our list of magazines for use in the reading room. The increased interest taken in the Library appears in the fact, that the number of borrowers of books exceeds that of the previous year by 211.

The value of such an institution as a part of our educational system can hardly be over estimated, and is being demonstrated more and more every year. Without the fostering care of the town, its influence for good would be greatly circumscribed. We earnestly bespeak for it the same liberal consideration which has been bestowed upon it in the past.

ASA FRENCH,
HENRY A. JOHNSON,
F. A. HOBART,
N. H. HUNT,
J. M. BEALS,

Trustees.

Braintree, Feb. 1, 1890.

ENGINEER'S REPORT.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen :

GENTLEMEN—In accordance with the rules and regulations governing Fire Departments, I have the honor to submit to you my annual report of the doings and conditions of the Department for the year ending January 31st, 1890, together with the number of members, fires, losses, and insurance, inventory of property belonging to the Department, and such suggestions as I deem of interest to the good working of the Department.

ENGINEERS' DEPARTMENT, ORGANIZED APRIL 18, 1889.

Chief Engineer, Edward O. Pierson; residence, Washington street, North Braintree.

First Assistant and Clerk, Frank O. Whitmarsh; residence, Shaw street, East Braintree.

Second Assistant, Marcus A. Perkins; residence, Hancock street, South Braintree.

FORCE OF THE DEPARTMENT.

The force of the Department consists of one chief and two assistants, and fifty-five (55) members, making a total of fifty-eight (58) men.

COMPANIES ORGANIZED FEBRUARY 6, 1889.

Union Hose Company, No. 1, John Duggan, Foreman,	15 men
Butcher Boy Hose Company, No. 2, J. F. Winslow,	
Foreman,	15 men
N. F. T. Hayden Hose Company, No. 3, W. D. Cushing,	
Foreman,	10 men
Wampatuck Hook and Ladder Company, No. 1, J. F.	
Gallivan, Foreman,	15 men

HOUSES.

The engine houses are in good repair, and need nothing done the coming year, except to keep them in good order, unless it should be decided to make some alterations.

APPARATUS.

The apparatus at present in service consists of two hand engines, two jumpers, one hose carriage and one hook and ladder truck.

HOSE.

There was at the commencement of the year 4,050 feet of hose, of which 550 feet have been condemned. As good hose is our main reliance, I would recommend purchasing 500 feet for the East village, which I think would give us a supply for a number of years. There was purchased during the year 500 feet of cotton rubber-lined hose for the South section of the town.

Description of hose in Department which is serviceable: 2,950 feet of cotton rubber-lined; 1,200 feet of rubber hose; 400 feet of leather hose, and 63 feet of suction hose.

INVENTORY OF PROPERTY

IN POSSESSION OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT AND IN USE

FEBRUARY 1, 1889.

UNION HOSE COMPANY, No. 1.

One jumper, 1 hand engine, 28 feet suction hose, 750 feet cotton rubber-lined hose, 550 feet rubber hose, 200 feet leather hose, 6 spanners and belts, 5 axes, 4 fire buckets, 4 pipes, 4 nozzles, 3 lanterns, 3 ladders, 1 pole for horses, 2 fire hooks, 6 army coats, 50 badges, 1 hydrant wrench, 1 hydrant gate.

BUTCHER BOY HOSE COMPANY, No. 2.

One hand engine, 1 hose cart, 1 pole for horses, 1,100 feet of rubber-lined cotton hose, 300 feet rubber reliable, 450 feet rubber fair, 200 feet leather, 6 pipes, leading hose branch, 10 nozzles, 1 axe, 4 fire hats, 6 army coats, 4 fire buckets, 12 spanners and belts, 1 lantern, 5 ladders, 16 badges, 1 hydrant gate, 1 hydrant wrench, 2 hose hooks, 1 hatchet.

N. F. T. HAYDEN HOSE COMPANY, No. 3.

1,000 feet cotton rubber-lined hose, 2 pipes, 6 spanners with belts, 1 hydrant wrench, 1 hydrant gate, 2 nozzles.

WAMPATUCK HOOK AND LADDER COMPANY, No. 1.

One truck, 1 pole for horses, 8 ladders, 1 tongue, 17 buckets, 5 hooks, 2 axes, 2 hatchets, 3 forks, 3 lanterns, 5 army coats, 2 ladder dogs, 25 badges.

LIST OF FIRES.

The number of fires and alarms was six. Fires causing the greatest loss were: S. W. Hollis, May 8th; Alexander McGaw, July 13th. The losses during the year were in the aggregate \$1,415.00; amount of insurance, \$4,775.00.

FIRE LOSSES AND INSURANCE FOR 1889.

April 27. B. F. Smith's mill; cause, spontaneous combustion; loss, \$100.00; fully insured.

May 8. S. W. Hollis' hennery; cause, lamp explosion; loss, \$450.00; no insurance.

July 13. Dwelling house in Mayflower Park, owned by A. McGaw; cause, explosion of kerosene oil stove; loss on house and contents, \$850.00; fully insured.

January 31. Round-house at South Braintree, owned by Old Colony Railroad; cause, unknown; loss, \$15.00; fully insured.

This has been a most remarkable year for fires. A part of the department have responded promptly, and have done their work

systematically. In this age of relief valves, shut-off nozzles, etc., there is less excuse for damaging property by flooding building than formerly.

We have made quite an outlay for hose carriage, hose improvements, etc., which I believe to be true policy, for by doing a little each year for a few years the department will be got into such a shape that we shall have only the running expenses to provide for.

I would recommend that the members of the department be increased in pay, and that the appropriation be \$1,700.00. I would recommend that the town appropriate the sum of \$600.00 for the purchase of two more hose carriages for the South and East sections of the town.

A very important factor worthy of mention is the adoption of the Walworth automatic sprinklers in the several mills, which tend to help the Department, and save property. There have been two instances in this town, B. F. Smith's mill and Straus & Kinsley's mill, where the fire was entirely extinguished by their use.

The Board have purchased a hose carriage for the North part of the town, at a cost of \$150.00.

CONCLUSION.

In conclusion, I would tender my thanks to your Honorable Board for their hearty co-operation, to the gentlemen of the Board of Engineers for the very able assistance rendered me on every occasion, and to those of the officers and members of the Department who have performed their duty in a prompt and faithful manner, hoping that in the future, as in the past, we shall all be as ready and willing to respond when duty calls, and always be as fortunate as in the year just closed.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD O. PIERSON,

Chief Engineer.

JURY LIST.

AS MADE BY THE SELECTMEN OF BRAINTREE, FEB. 1, 1890.

Hiram E. Abbott,
 Joseph M. Allen,
 Orace W. Allen,
 William Allen,
 James Frederick Allen,
 John M. Arnold,
 Timothy D. Bagley,
 Elisha A. Belcher,
 Onslow Q. Ball,
 William H. Cobb,
 Henry F. Crane,
 Thomas J. Cain,
 F. Eugene Dyer,
 John H. Dinsmore,
 George A. French,
 Charles E. French,
 Henry Gardner,
 Richard Allen Gage,
 Edward A. Hale,
~~Everett A. Harris,~~
 Charles A. Hayward,
 Jonathan P. Hayward,
 Ellis Hollingsworth,
 Elijah C. Hall,
 Henry M. Hollis,
 Bradford Y. Knight,
 Frederic P. Lothrop,
 Charles H. Loring,
 George E. Ludden,
 Frank G. Lunt,
 Alverdo H. Mason,

William H. Macgreggor,
 Michael McDermott,
 William B. Merritt,
~~Walter E. Morrison,~~
 R. Elmer Morrison,
 Walter O. Munroe,
 Daniel Potter,
 Thomas Penniman,
 Henry Arthur Pierce,
 Edward O. Pierson,
 Artemas S. Pennock,
 Rodolphus Porter,
 John Reed,
~~James A. Reynolds,~~
 John V. Scollard,
 Willie H. Shaw,
 Alfred Southworth,
 William H. Stevens,
 Caleb Thompson,
 Foster F. Tupper,
 William A. Tupper,
 N. Gleason Torrey,
 Henry B. Vinton,
 I. Francis Vinton,
 Thomas A. Watson,
 Jonathan F. White,
 Joseph Whitely,
~~Ezra H. Waite,~~
 Edward M. Wight,
 James T. Weeks,
 William A. Kane.

AUDITORS' REPORT.
STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AS AGAINST EXPENDITURES FOR 1889.

OBJECTS OF APPROPRIATIONS.	Raised and Appropriated.	Amount Expended.	In Excess of Appropriation.	Appropriation Unexpended.
Schools	*\$9,100 00	\$10,107 90	.....	\$179 05
Incidentals for Schools.....	300 00	637 46	\$337 46	.....
Incidentals for Schoolhouses.....	800 00	1,044 26	244 26	.....
Text-books and Supplies.....	700 00	577 90	.....	122 10
Superintendent of Schools.....	1,200 00	1,000 00	.....	200 00
Poor in Almshouse.....	2,500 00	2,478 43	.....	21 57
Poor out of Almshouse.....	1,500 00	1,669 49	169 49	.....
Repairs of Highways.....	4,000 00	4,174 44	174 44	.....
Stone Roads.....	3,000 00	3,115 36	115 36	.....
Removal of Snow.....	500 00	30 10	.....	469 90
Public Library.....	700 00	700 00	.....	.....
Janitor	600 00	600 00	.....	.....
Town Lands.....	100 00	59 80	.....	40 20
Interest on Town Debt.....	1,200 00	1,117 82	.....	82 18
Interest on Water Bonds.....	4,000 00	4,000 00	.....	.....
Sinking Fund.....	2,000 00	2,000 00	.....	.....

Soldiers' Aid.....	350 00	792 00	442 00	.....
Collection and Abatement of Taxes.....	600 00	730 78	130 78	.....
Insurance.....	500 00	346 52	.....	153 48
Incidentals	1,200 00	1,578 84	378 84	.....
Town Officers.....	2,400 00	2,416 90	16 90	.....
Expenses of Law Suits, etc.....	5,000 00	6,177 07	1,177 07	.....
G. A. R.....	150 00	150 00	.....	.....
Fire Department.....	1,000 00	757 61	.....	242 39
Delivering Library Books.....	100 00	52 00	.....	48 00
Extension of Tremont Street.....	250 00	124 28	.....	125 72
Standish Avenue.....	150 00	155 25	5 25	.....
Heating Town House.....	2,500 00	2,681 06	181 06	.....
State Tax.....	3,460 00	3,460 00	.....	.....
County Tax.....	2,191 26	2,191 26	.....	.....
Total	\$52,051 26	\$54,926 53	\$3,372 91	\$1,684 59

*In addition to the \$9,100.00 raised and appropriated, the following amounts, viz.: Dog Tax, \$760.40; State School Fund, \$26.55; Town School Fund, \$400.00; Total, \$1,186.95, were also applied to support of Schools; hence the unexpended amount, viz.: \$179.05.

GEORGE D. WILLIS,	}	<i>Auditors.</i>
JOHN M. BEALS,		
ALVERDO MASON,		

WARRANT FOR TOWN MEETING.

NORFOLK, ss. To either of the constables of the town of
Braintree, GREETING :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of Braintree, qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Braintree, on Monday, the third day of March, 1890, at eight o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following articles, namely :

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To hear the report of the several town officers, and act thereon.

ART. 3. To determine the manner of repairing the highways and bridges the ensuing year.

ART. 4. To see if the town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 158 of the Statutes of the year eighteen hundred and seventy-one, and choose a board of Road Commissioners.

ART. 5. To choose all necessary town officers for the ensuing year, and also to vote on the following question, as required by Chap. 54 of the Acts of the year 1881, namely : " Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town ? "

ART. 6. To see what action the town will take in relation to hiring money for any purpose.

ART. 7. To see if the town will accept the jury list as made by the Selectmen.

ART. 8. To raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray the expenses of the town for the ensuing year.

ART. 9. To see if the town will vote an appropriation of \$150, and pay the same to the General Sylvanus Thayer Post, G. A. R., for the purpose of assisting them in defraying the expenses of memorial services on Memorial Day.

ART. 10. To see how the town will vote to pay the members of the Fire Department.

ART. 11. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to pay the interest on the water bonds, and for the sinking fund established for the payment of said bonds.

ART. 12. To see if the town will vote to charge interest on taxes that remain unpaid after a certain date.

ART. 13. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money to build an armory for Company K, 5th Regiment.

ART. 14. To hear the report of the Committee on the celebration of the 250th anniversary of the incorporation of the town, and raise and appropriate such a sum of money as will defray the expenses of the same.

ART. 15. To choose two members of the School Fund Committee, in place of Naaman L. White and William R. Penniman, deceased.

ART. 16. To choose one Trustee of the Thayer Public Library, in place of John M. Beals, removed from town.

ART. 17. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for conveying pupils to and from the public schools; the same to be expended by the School Committee in their discretion.

ART. 18. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate \$300 to finish Elliot street.

ART. 19. To see if the town will vote to elect six Trustees of the Thayer Public Library, in accordance with the provisions of Chap. 304 of the Acts of 1888, and the vote of the town at the last annual meeting.

ART. 20. To see if the town will sell a strip of land on the easterly line of the poor farm, fifteen feet in width on the street, running back to intersect the said easterly line, one hundred and twenty-five feet from the street.

ART. 21. To see if the town will amend Article 11 of the By-laws, so as to elect six Trustees of the Thayer Public Library, in accordance with the provisions of Chap. 304 of the Acts of 1888.

ART. 22. To see if the town will vote to place flagging stones across the streets at such places as may be deemed necessary by the Selectmen, and make an appropriation for the same.

ART. 23. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$600 to purchase two hose carriages, one for the East and one for the South part of the town.

ART. 24. To see if the town will choose a committee to select a location and get plans and specifications for the erection of a high school building in the North part of the town.

ART. 25. To see if the town will make an appropriation to widen that portion of Elm street lying east of the residence of Mrs. Elizabeth Perry.

ART. 26. To see if the town will annul Article 11 of the By-laws.

You are to give notice of this meeting by posting true and attested copies of this warrant in not less than nine public places in this town, seven days, at least, before the time of meeting; and by publishing once in the Braintree Observer.

Hereof fail not, but make return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk before the time of said meeting.

Given under our hands at Braintree, this fourteenth day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety.

ANSEL O. CLARK,
NATHANIEL F. HUNT,
R. ALLEN GAGE,

Selectmen of Braintree.

REPORT OF TOWN CLERK.

In accordance with the By-laws of the town the Town Clerk submits the following report:

MARRIAGES.

1889.	NAME.	AGE.	RESIDENCE.
Jan. 6,	William Kelley,	22,	Braintree.
	Ida Helena White,	18,	Weymouth.
21,	Hubert Allison,	19,	Lawrence.
	Elizabeth Ann Dalton,	17,	Braintree.
21,	John Robert Scott,	33,	"
	Ulvilda Edes Libby,	39,	"
30,	Luke Francis Mulligan,	26,	"
	Bridget Ann Harty,	21,	Randolph.
Feb. 25,	Norman Francis Frazier,	23,	Braintree.
	Julia Ann Bennett,	23,	"
27,	Alfred Augustus Cook,	33,	"
	Mary Catherine Dana,	28,	"
27,	John Thomas Wascott,	27,	"
	Jennie Sophronia Morrill,	26,	"
26,	Timothy Hall Libby,	56,	"
	Juliette Allen (Wild) Penniman,	52,	"
Mar. 4,	James Francis Gallivan,	21,	"
	Emma Frances Harnish,	22,	"
5,	George S. Clay,	22,	Stoughton.
	Annie E. Smith,	22,	Boston.
6,	Seth Addison Hargreaves,	21,	Sandwich.
	Mary Jane Long,	19,	Braintree.
31,	Joseph Russell Hathaway,	41,	"
	Alice Belle Chick,	29,	"
April 4,	Horace Tuttle Robbins,	65,	"
	Addie Adelia (Converse) Stearns,	44,	Rindge, N. H.
21,	William Rogers Drake,	24,	Quincy.
	Nettie Maria Florence Denton,	21,	Braintree.

1889.	NAME.	AGE.	RESIDENCE.
April 21,	Charles Fred White,	22,	Braintree.
	Nellie Emma Fowler,	19,	Holbrook.
27,	Timothy Francis Healy,	30,	Weymouth.
	Mary E. (McMahon) Long,	29,	Braintree.
28,	Richard White,	29,	"
	Mary O'Sullivan,	29,	"
24,	Granville Eugene Coy,	22,	Stoughton.
	Isaline Ronseville Hayden,	21,	Braintree.
May 20,	Benjamin Levangie,	22,	"
	Eliza Dejon,	23,	"
30,	James Thomas McClellan,	42,	"
	Annie Maria Starr,	39,	"
June 6,	Elmer Ellsworth Abercrombie,	28,	"
	Annie Louise Coleman,	24,	Boston.
5,	Charles Ingalls Craibe,	52,	Braintree.
	Fannie Elizabeth (Howe) Teele,	49,	"
13,	William Harnish,	21,	"
	Mary Turley,	19,	Quincy.
19,	James Craig,	28,	"
	Lillian Coffill,	21,	Braintree.
27,	Herbert Forbes Kneeland,	26,	"
	Minnie Frances Jones,	21,	"
July 3,	Fitzgerald Harnish,	22,	"
	Annie Maria Sullivan,	22,	"
10,	Stephen Parker Jones,	21,	"
	Mary Jane Milman,	18,	"
17,	George William C. Bird,	25,	"
	Mary Rosalina Smith,	16,	"
30,	Joseph H. Kelley,	38,	Quincy.
	Maggie McLennan,	26,	"
Aug. 8,	John H. G. Robinson,	37,	Braintree.
	Mary Eva (Currier) Arnold,	36,	"
6,	Cornelius John Horgan,	30,	"
	Effie Grace Bishop,	25,	"
9,	George Nelson Nordahl,	31,	"
	Hannah Maria Holman,	29,	"
22,	John Patrick Sullivan,	23,	"
	Nellie Agnes Dolan,	23,	Randolph.

1889.	NAME.	AGE.	RESIDENCE.
Sept. 18,	Myron Hildreth Belcher,	21,	Braintree.
	Nellie Amanda Pratt,	20,	Holbrook.
25,	Wendell Phillips Bowman,	25,	Abington.
	Clara M. Cronin,	24,	Braintree.
25,	Henry Trowbridge Cushman,	32,	"
	Eliza Jane Parker,	23,	"
Oct. 1,	Charles Francis Sullivan,	31,	Holbrook.
	Eva Maud Acron,	18,	Braintree.
9,	John Murray Beals,	42,	"
	Minnie B. (Hall) Wood,	30,	Lowell.
10,	Dennis Riardon,	26,	Braintree.
	Nora Harrington,	24,	"
13,	Dennis Long,	40,	"
	Margaret Connor,	35,	Boston.
25,	Gilman Madan,	40,	Holbrook.
	Emma Frances Dyer,	36,	Braintree.
Nov. 5,	Paul Bibeau,	37,	"
	Emily Ella (Benjamin) Betters,	26,	"
6,	Edwin Francis Porter,	29,	"
	Eva L. A. Bishop,	20,	"
7,	James Hannify,	30,	Waltham.
	Ellen Holloran,	26,	Braintree.
7,	Arthur Harding Cobb,	38,	"
	Effie Irene Smith,	31,	"
12,	Cornelius Joseph Maguire,	24,	"
	Ella Maria McDermott,	23,	"
19,	Alexander Durell,	24,	"
	Katie Decose,	21,	"
21,	James Andrew Gogan,	24,	"
	Katie Frances Lee,	25,	"
22,	John Otis Bicknell,	20,	Weymouth.
	Mabel Robinson South,	20,	Braintree.
26,	Edward Joseph McCue,	22,	"
	Elizabeth Frances Bentley,	22,	"
27,	Wallace Harland Belcher,	27,	Holbrook.
	Minnie May Holbrook,	18,	Braintree.
27,	John Henry Coffey,	28,	Weymouth.
	Ellen Jane Preston,	27,	Braintree.

1889.	NAME.	AGE.	RESIDENCE.
Dec. 1,	George Augustus Hobart,	31,	Braintree.
	Sarah Jane Hollinshead,	19,	"
1,	Benjamin Donald Milton,	23,	Holbrook.
	Ann Maria McKenzie,	25,	"
18,	Lemuel Augustus Hayward,	35,	Braintree.
	Elizabeth J. Owens,	24,	Quincy.
25,	Charles Lucine Lamontague,	28,	Braintree.
	Johanna Scannell,	27,	Weymouth.

Whole number of marriages, 56.

Birthplace of males: Braintree, 12; other places in Massachusetts, 19; Canada, 9; Ireland, 7; Maine, 4; Rhode Island, Vermont, Sweden, France and Scotland, 1 each.

Birthplace of females: Braintree, 10; other places in Massachusetts, 21; Canada, 12; Ireland, 6; Maine, 2; New York, New Hampshire, England, Sweden and Scotland, 1 each.

Place of residence: Males,—Braintree, 40; other places in Massachusetts, 16. Females,—Braintree, 41; other places in Massachusetts, 14; New Hampshire, 1.

Marriages solemnized in Braintree, 19; Weymouth, 16; Quincy, 10; Boston, 4; Randolph and Holbrook, 2 each; Lowell, Dedham and Chelsea, 1 each.

Rev. W. B. Heath, married 5; Rev. A. A. Ellsworth, 4; Rev. E. O. Dyer, 3; S. A. Bates, Esq., 2; Rev. Samuel Morrison, and C. A. Belcher, Esq., 1 each, while 39 were married by clergymen and 1 by a Justice of the Peace of other places in Massachusetts.

Married for the first time, 50 males and 49 females; for the second time, 5 males and 6 females; while 1 male and 1 female ventured to encounter the perils of matrimony for the third time.

One male of the tender age of 20, and 2 females of the age of 17 and 16, were obliged to obtain the consent of their parents.

Average age of males, 29.62.

Average age of females, 25.6.

BIRTHS.

1889.	NAME.	PARENTS' NAMES.
Jan. 10,	Joseph Marcell Rogers,	Simon and Mary (Pitts)
11,	Edward Starr,	John and Mary J. (Nosmarthy)
19,	— Bright,	Guilford and Maggie
20,	Mary Ellen Sullivan,	John and Honora (O'Connor)
24,	Mildred Bowditch,	Edward W. and Lula H. (Teele)
31,	Walter Edward Trask,	Frank and Emma J. (Smith)
Feb. 1,	Ethel Lillian Smith,	Charles H. and Mary (Campbell)
7,	Miriam Frances Holbrook,	George H. and Sadie E. (Newcomb)
9,	Ibrahim Follansbee Morrison,	Walter E. and Edith A. (Follansbee)
11,	Alden Wendell Dyer,	Jacob A. and Gracie E. (Thompson)
12,	— Cosgrove,	Albert E. and Maria
12,	Mary Alice Frazer,	Jeremiah and Katie E. (Frazer)
14,	Gertrude Azella French,	Azel R. and Sarah L. (Porter)
22,	Josephine Washington O'Brien,	Michael and Josephine (Lee)
Mar. 4,	William Henry Delory,	Simon and Annie (Delory)
8,	Frederick Francis Gerroir,	George and Anna (Levangie)
9,	Ida Rachel Silva,	Harry and Annie (Hann)
14,	Rosa Josephine Dejon,	Simon and Mary (Cota)
19,	Edward Roche,	Thomas H. and Mary E. (Healy)
20,	Maude Eleanor Weeks,	James T. and Addie S. (Gilman)
25,	Joseph Griffin,	Michael and Julia (Griffin)
April 5,	Lydia Williams Whitcomb,	Charles G. and Nettie H. (Lloyd)
10,	Mary Winifred Leonard,	Patrick and Isabelle (Beaton)
10,	Esther Watson,	Thomas A. and Elizabeth (Kimball)
14,	William McCarthy,	Richard and Elizabeth (Hogan)
19,	Faustine Craig Brackett,	Foster H. and Annie B. (Nason)
19,	Thomas Waldo Herrick,	Thomas W. and Elizabeth (Hall)
21,	Arthur W. Cass,	Arthur W. and Lillie E. (Patterson)
22,	Eleanor Gertrude Snow,	Andrew C. and Edwina E. (Stuart)
27,	Ellen Janette Cunningham,	William H. and Mary E. (Dennehy)
May 11,	Weston Stone,	Charles H. and Jennie B. (Elliott)
13,	Roy Clayton Denley,	John and Hattie B. (Ananny)
17,	Esther May Levangie,	John D. and Ella (Delory)
17,	Marian Louise Kelley,	John and Mary J. (Lowson)
22,	George Thomas Fogg,	George E. and Sarah E. (Pope)
June 2,	Lottie Maude Johnson,	Frederick E. and Hannah L. (Harnish)
2,	Patrick Donahue,	Thomas and Charlotte F. (McIntosh)
4,	Katie Louisa Condrick,	Edward P. and Mary A. (McCue)
7,	Florence Viola Strathdee,	David G. and Anna B. (Broadburn)
10,	Agnes Taft Baldwin,	Charles and Agnes (Taft)
16,	Willie Francis Kelley,	Maria Kelley
19,	William Allen Penniman,	Nathan A. and Isabelle M. (Faulkner)
20,	Willard Taylor Brown,	Willard P. and Mary J. (Taylor)

1889.	NAME.	PARENTS' NAMES.
June 29,	Ann Maguire Killian,	Thomas and Ellen (Moils)
30,	— McDonell,	Daniel and — (Perow)
July —,	Robert C. Bower,	Elisha D. and Sarah A. (Cook)
5,	Catherine Mahoney,	Andrew F. and Catherine T. (Goffe)
7,	John William McGlinicy,	Bernard and Margaret G. (King)
9,	James Willis Macdonald,	Willis R. and Mary F. (Carroll)
11,	Mary Ellen Cota,	Hubert and Maggie (Decose)
13,	Walter A. Moreland,	Joseph E. and Maria A. (Corbett)
15,	Helen C. Woodman,	George M. and Lydia A. V. (Smith)
18,	Annie Bridget Whitney,	William and Mary (Wilde)
22,	Theresa Healy,	Timothy F. and Mary (McMahon)
24,	Arthur Andrew Hewitt,	Joseph E. and Elizabeth (Frazer)
28,	Lester Warren Hazelberg,	Arthur T. and Lucy J. (Whiting)
Aug. 6,	George L. Abell,	Charles L. and Sarah A. (Kelley)
16,	Frank Jacob Call,	William M. and Bertha C. (Ewell)
18,	Charles E. Frazer,	Charles and Rose (Brien)
18,	John Edward Pitts,	John and Annie (Vigneaux)
21,	Almira Gage Wixon,	Amos R. and Lydia G. (Coffin)
27,	Joseph Aston Hollis,	Joseph D. and Susie L. (Hill)
29,	Margaretta Little Faxon,	Cushing B. and Henrietta S. (Wardwell)
29,	Thomas Henry Griffin,	Michael and Mary E. (O'Connell)
30,	Lucy M. Hicks,	Alfred C. and M. A.
Sept. 2,	Edward Joseph Lane,	James and Alice (Havey)
3,	Lena Louisa Carver,	William A. and Sarah L. (Huff)
4,	Rachel Connah,	Samuel and Cecile (Kopette)
4,	John Elmer Morrison,	John and Jennie (Williams)
10,	Marguerite Frances Packard,	Charles E. and Mary A. (Briody)
14,	— Hill,	William and Elizabeth (Carmichael)
15,	Ruth Gladys Sampson,	Josephus and Mary E. (French)
21,	Bessie Mabel Tirrell,	Lewis H. and Mary H. (Clayton)
22,	Edwin Wesley Borden,	Herbert W. and Emma (Grigg)
Oct. 6,	Hubert Moses Brow,	Moses and Annie (Gerroir)
8,	Martha Amelia Bennett,	Henry and Amelia (Delory)
11,	Carrie F. Bunker,	Joshua M. and Nancy A. (Goodnow)
12,	Abbie Llerena Allen,	William and Emma F. (Jones)
16,	Ida May Moir,	William H. and Mary J. (Spinney)
18,	Dorothy Russell Bates,	Charles S. and Sarah H. (Merrill)
Nov. 6,	Martin Francis Dillon,	Daniel and Kate (Gill)
8,	Marie Fletcher Pickering,	Charles H. and Emma F. (Tower)
17,	John Lynch,	Mary J. Lynch
20,	Herbert Ellis Holbrook,	James F. and Amanda J. (Savil)
20,	Joseph Edward Smith,	George E. and Olive V. (Brow)
24,	May Stevens,	James and Sarah
28,	Royal Andrew Pace,	Charles A. and Mary (Long)
28,	Theresa Donahue,	Peter and Margaret (Morrill)

1889.	NAME.	PARENTS' NAMES.
Dec. 2,	Ruth Putnam,	Benjamin W. and Mabel A. (Snow)
2,	William Prescott O'Rourke,	John and Rosanna (Devereaux)
2,	Emma Frances Greenough,	Abraham and Annie G. (Harnish)
11,	Isaline Mabel Sherman,	Daniel H. and Nannie S. (Hayden)
12,	Paul Albert Dowd,	Paul and Teresa (Long)
16,	Elsie McDowell,	Robert and Alison T. L. (Lowson)
24,	George Henry Lahey,	David and Mattie (Rogers)
26,	— Revere,	Frederick A. and Ida M. (Bailey)
30,	Effie Grace Horgan,	Lawrence F. and Effie G. (Bishop)

Whole number of births in 1889, 100.

Males, 50; females, 50.

Birthplace of fathers: Braintree, 16; other towns in Massachusetts, 28; Canada, 21; Ireland, 15; Maine, 6; England, 4; Russia, 2; New York, Rhode Island, New Hampshire, Ohio and Scotland, 1 each; unknown, 3.

Birthplace of mothers: Braintree, 15; other towns in Massachusetts, 33; Canada, 27; Ireland, 10; Maine, 4; England, 3; New York, Rhode Island and Russia, 2 each; Scotland, 1; unknown, 1.

DEATHS.

1889.	NAME	BIRTHPLACE.	AGE.		
			Y.	M.	D.
Jan. 5,	William Hearn,	Roxbury,	37	5	7
12,	Edward Starr,	Braintree,	—	—	2
15,	Maria A. (Parker) Wood,	Rhode Island,	70	9	25
25,	Frances E. (Collins) Smith,	Connecticut,	71	2	7
25,	Walter H. Dexheimer,	Braintree,	—	3	1
Feb. 5,	Nellie W. Hill,	"	21	5	1
7,	Warren E. Goodnow,	"	1	3	16
11,	Susan J. (Bates) Stoddard,	"	60	1	21
11,	Mehitable S. (Hayden) Hunt,	"	69	4	21
11,	Mary H. (Tower) Marston,	Canton,	52	4	25
16,	Lillian F. Spear,	Maine,	4	6	6
19,	Arthur R. Oldham,	New Jersey,	1	0	15
22,	Mary (Thayer) Dyer,	Braintree,	89	1	14
Mar. 5,	John S. Walker,	Rhode Island,	23	—	—
7,	Joseph Gunning,	England,	76	1	—
21,	Caroline (Hobart) Maginnis,	Braintree,	81	—	—
22,	Patrick Donahue,	Ireland,	60	—	—
27,	Mildred Bowditch,	Braintree,	—	2	3
29,	Sarah (Gardner) Burrell,	So. Reading,	82	4	4

			— AGE. —		
1889.	NAME.	BIRTHPLACE.	Y.	M.	D.
April 4,	Elijah Benjamin,	Canada,	77	2	28
11,	Mary Winifred Leonard,	Braintree,	—	—	2
18,	Ida I. (Rowell) Holbrook,	"	21	7	20
30,	Emily E. (Bowditch) Littlefield,	"	47	11	1
May 11,	Robert A. Wilson,	Derby, Vt.,	61	—	—
13,	Salmon F. Jenkins,	New York,	59	9	10
16,	Irene J. (Littlefield) White,	Braintree,	68	0	14
26,	Mary A. (Mundy) Morrison,	"	31	8	2
June 14,	Alden Bowditch,	"	79	—	—
19,	Catherine (Ray) Buckley,	Ireland,	52	—	—
28,	William R. Penniman,	Braintree,	68	8	9
29,	Abigail (Mason) Swett,	Dedham,	91	2	12
30,	Amos Benjamin,	Holbrook,	10	2	24
July 1,	Ann (Maguire) Moils,	Ireland,	57	8	—
5,	Ellsworth Locke,	Lowell,	—	9	11
6,	Catherine Mahoney,	Braintree,	—	—	1
8,	Catherine T. (Howard) Reed,	Boston,	62	8	24
9,	Alice E. Browning,	"	—	7	—
23,	Nathaniel P. Pettibone,	New York,	40	3	12
Aug. 3,	Arthur Lynch,	Braintree,	—	3	12
15,	Marion L. Kelley,	"	—	2	29
16,	Catherine (Healy) Gannon,	Ireland,	94	—	—
17,	James Nettleton,	"	63	—	—
17,	Eliza J. Levangie,	Nova Scotia,	4	—	—
19,	Lois (Holbrook) Thayer,	Randolph,	86	10	3
20,	Charles E. Frezer,	Braintree,	—	—	2
20,	Sarah E. (Beals) Bennett,	Pr. Ed. Island,	31	—	—
20,	Unknown,	Unknown,	—	—	—
22,	Lucinda (French) Willett,	Braintree,	78	10	17
22,	Willa M. Sturgis,	Cotuit,	—	9	13
23,	Michael Finnegan,	Ireland,	81	—	—
31,	Arthur B. Dorety,	Braintree,	7	4	5
Sept. 2,	Robert C. Bower,	Newton,	—	2	—
2,	George E. Cole,	Randolph,	19	7	26
10,	Peter Lowson,	Scotland,	68	—	—
16,	Sarah Osterweil,	Braintree,	—	11	19
Oct. 1,	Thomas Hill,	Ireland,	73	—	—
7,	Ebenezer F. Howard,	Randolph,	60	8	7
22,	John Long,	Ireland,	59	4	10
27,	Charles A. Lund,	Andover,	39	2	20
Nov. 7,	Carrie F. Bunker,	Braintree,	—	—	27
12,	Jonathan B. Wood,	Seekonk,	76	10	2
21,	Martin Bannon,	Randolph,	48	11	—
25,	Arthur W. Cass, Jr.,	Boston,	—	7	4

1889.	NAME.	BIRTHPLACE.	AGE.		
			Y.	M.	D.
Nov. 28,	John W. A. Dean,	Medfield,	73	6	13
28,	Eunice T. (Penniman) Lakin,	Braintree,	77	7	19
Dec. 6,	John M. Scott,	Ireland,	67	6	—
8,	Joseph E. Smith,	Braintree,	—	—	17
19,	Ruth Hilliard,	Dorchester,	1	6	24
20,	Jonathan W. Wales,	Braintree,	77	2	18
29,	Mary E. Gillespie,	"	17	7	26

Stillborn, 3; making in all 73.

Of the above, 21 were under 5 years of age; 1 between 5 and 10; 3 between 10 and 20; 3 between 20 and 30; 5 between 30 and 40; 3 between 40 and 50; 5 between 50 and 60; 11 between 60 and 70; 11 between 70 and 80; 5 between 80 and 90; and 2 over 90.

Average age, 41 years.

Males 39; females 34.

Single, 28; married, 28; widowed, 12; unknown, 2.

Born in Braintree, 31; other places in Massachusetts, 19; Ireland, 9; Canada, 3; Rhode Island and New York, 2 each; Connecticut, Maine, New Jersey, Vermont, England, Scotland and unknown, 1 each.

The birthplaces of the parents were as follows:

Fathers.—Braintree, 12; other places in Massachusetts, 17; Ireland, 16; Canada, 7; England, 4; Maine, 3; Scotland, Connecticut and Vermont, 2 each; Austria, New Hampshire, Illinois and Rhode Island, 1 each; unknown, 4.

Mothers.—Braintree, 11; other places in Massachusetts, 24; Ireland, 12; Canada, 8; Maine, 3; Rhode Island, New Hampshire, New York and England, 2 each; Connecticut, South Carolina and Scotland, 1 each; unknown, 4.

Buried in Braintree, 26; Weymouth, 17; Quincy, 9; Boston, 7; Randolph, 4; Chelsea, 2; Holbrook, Dedham, Cotuit, Brockton, Carver, North Adams, Connecticut and unknown, 1 each.

Causes of death: Consumption, 9; pneumonia, 6; paralysis, 5; heart disease and cholera infantum, 4 each; apoplexy, anemia

and stillborn, 3 each; marasmus, diphtheria, bronchitis, old age, cystitis, premature birth, cachexie, dementia and epilepsy, 2 each; convulsions, brain disease, Bright's disease, gangrene, inflammation of bladder, drowned, cirrhosis of liver, encephalitis, general debility, membranous colitis, cancrum oris, diarrhœa, measles, railroad accident, congenital malformation, meningitis and fracture of femur, 1 each.

SAMUEL A. BATES,
Town Clerk.

REPORT OF FIRES.

The Chief Engineer of the Fire Department reports to the Town Clerk the following fires which occurred during the year 1889:

March 23. Brush land of Hollis & Thayer. Damage, \$75. Cause, accidental.

April 27. Cotton mill of heirs of E. A. Hollingsworth. Occupant, B. F. Smith. Value of building, \$500. Damage, \$25 on building and \$75 on contents. Fully covered by insurance. Cause, accidental.

May 8. Hennery of S. W. Hollis. Value of building, \$200; of contents, \$250. Total loss. No insurance. Cause, explosion of lamp.

July 13. Dwelling house of Alexander McGaw. Value of building, \$600; of contents, \$300. Damage to building, total loss; to contents, \$250. Insurance on building, \$900; on contents, \$300. Cause, explosion of a kerosene oil stove.

December 31. Engine house of Old Colony railroad. Value of building, \$3,000. Damage to building, \$15. Fully insured. Cause, unknown.

SAMUEL A. BATES,
Town Clerk.

TOWN RECORDS.

NORFOLK, ss. To either of the constables of the town of
Braintree, GREETING :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of Braintree, qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Braintree, on Monday, the fourth day of March, 1889, at eight o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following articles, namely :

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To hear the report of the several town officers, and act thereon.

ART. 3. To determine the manner of repairing the highways and bridges for the ensuing year.

ART. 4. To choose all necessary town officers for the ensuing year, and also to vote on the following question, as required by Chap. 54 of the Acts of the year 1881, namely : "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town ?"

ART. 5. To see what action the town will take in relation to hiring money for any purpose.

ART. 6. To raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray the expenses of the town for the ensuing year.

ART. 7. To see if the town will accept the jury list as made by the Selectmen.

ART. 8. To see if the town will vote an appropriation of \$150, and pay the same to the General Sylvanus Thayer Post, G. A. R., for the purpose of assisting them in defraying the expenses of memorial services on Memorial Day.

ART. 9. To see how the town will vote to pay the members of the Fire Department.

ART. 10. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be needed to pay the interest on the water bonds and for the sinking fund established for the payment of said bonds.

ART. 11. To see if the town will vote to charge interest on all taxes that remain unpaid after a certain date.

ART. 12. To see if the town will vote, in connection with the town of Weymouth, to enlarge the waterway at Smelt Brook, and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 13. To see if the town will take any action relating to sewerage or drainage.

ART. 14. To see if the town will elect six Trustees of the Thayer Public Library, in accordance with the provisions of Chap. 304 of the Acts and Resolves of the Legislature of 1888.

ART. 15. To see if the town will vote to lay a new floor in the Town Hall, and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 16. To see if the town will vote to pave the gutters on Monatiquot Heights, and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 17. To see if the town will appoint a committee to consider the best method for lighting the streets and public buildings of the town, and to report thereon at any town meeting held thereafter.

ART. 18. To see if the town will take into consideration the matter of enlarging the waterway at Cart Bridge, and to take such action thereon as may be deemed necessary.

ART. 19. To see if the town will accept that portion of Tremont street, extending from Taylor street to Central avenue, as laid out by the Selectmen, and appropriate money therefor.

ART. 20. To see if the town will accept Bowditch street, leading from Front street, in the East part of the town, as now laid out.

ART. 21. To see if the town will vote to change the title Thayer Public Library to Braintree Free Public Library.

ART. 22. To see if the town will vote to purchase two hook and ladder trucks, remodel the engine houses in the East and

South parts of the town fit for the occupancy of the same, and appropriate the sum of \$3000, to defray expense of same.

ART. 23. To see if the town will widen, straighten and build retaining walls on Quincy avenue, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 24. To see if the town will choose a committee to select a location and get plans and specifications for the erection of a High School building in the North part of the town.

ART. 25. To see if the town will authorize the Selectmen to compensate B. J. Loring, Jr., for losses incurred by him while in performance of his duties as constable of the town.

ART. 26. To see if the town will sell a strip of land on the easterly line of the poor farm about fifteen feet in width on the street, running back to nothing about fifty-five feet from said street.

ART. 27. To choose, in accordance with the provisions of Chap. 123 of the Acts of the year 1877, three discreet persons by ballot, whose duty it shall be to inspect the Monatiquot river, to cause the regulations respecting fisheries therein to be carried into effect, and to prosecute all violations thereof.

ART. 28. To see if the town will accept Standish avenue as laid out by the Selectmen, and appropriate \$150 to build the same.

ART. 29. To see if the town will accept Myrtle street, Spruce street and Vine street, as shown upon a plan of land belonging to Edward Reed, made by Charles A. Pierson, in September, 1887, and as laid out by the Selectmen.

ART. 30. To see if the town will accept the new road leading from a point on Middle street, opposite the residence of George Wales, to a point on Union street, opposite the residence of John Rennie, as laid out by the Selectmen, and appropriate money to build the same.

ART. 31. To see if the town will vote to build a sidewalk on Hancock and Washington streets extending from the residence of Michael Brandley to that of the heirs of John H. Thayer, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 32. To see if the town will vote to build an armory for Company K, and choose a committee and appropriate money therefor.

ART. 33. To choose any committee or hear the report of any committee, and act thereon.

You are to give notice of this meeting by posting true and attested copies of this warrant in not less than nine public places in this town, seven days, at least, before the time of said meeting, and by publishing once in the Braintree Observer.

Hereof fail not, but make return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, before the time of said meeting.

Given under our hands at Braintree, this eighteenth day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine.

ANSEL O. CLARK,
J. FRANKLIN BATES,
NATHANIEL F. HUNT,

Selectmen of Braintree.

NORFOLK, ss.

BRAINTREE, February 23, 1889.

Pursuant to the within warrant, I have notified the inhabitants of the town of Braintree herein described, to meet at the time and place, and for the purposes within mentioned, by posting up attested copies of this warrant at more than nine public places in the said town of Braintree, seven days before the time set for said meeting; and have likewise caused the said warrant to be published in the Braintree Observer once before the time of said meeting.

HORACE FAXON,
Constable of Braintree.

A TRUE COPY.

Attest :

SAMUEL A. BATES,
Town Clerk.

BRAINTREE, March 4, 1889.

In accordance with the foregoing warrant the meeting was called to order, and the warrant read by the Town Clerk.

Ansel O. Clark was appointed to check the list, and sworn by the Town Clerk.

ARTICLE 1. The ballot having been taken by the use of the check-list, it was found that Francis A. Hobart had been unanimously chosen Moderator, and he was sworn by the Town Clerk.

Article 2 was laid on the table.

ART. 3. *Voted*, That the highways and bridges shall be repaired for the ensuing year, under the direction of three Surveyors of Highways.

ART. 4. *Voted*, To proceed to the election of the following town officers on one ballot, namely: Town Clerk; Treasurer; three Selectmen, who shall be Assessors, Overseers of the Poor, and Surveyors of Highways; one Water Commissioner for the term of three years; two School Committee for the term of three years; three Auditors; three Fence Viewers; and twelve Constables; and also at the same time vote on the question: "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?"

Nathaniel F. Hunt was appointed to take charge of the box for the reception of ballots on the question of license, and sworn by the Town Clerk.

Polls were declared open at 8h. 12m. A. M.

Moderator appointed as tellers to assort and count the votes: Charles C. Mellen, Douglas A. Brooks, Ibrahim Morrison, Albert R. Hobart and John M. Beals; and they were sworn by the Town Clerk.

Voted, That a committee of nine be appointed by the Moderator, to report what appropriations are necessary to be made to defray the expenses of the town the ensuing year.

Moderator appointed George H. Arnold, James T. Stevens, Ansel O. Clark, Albert E. Avery, Francis H. Crane, Edward O. Pierson, Ebenezer F. E. Thayer, George D. Willis, Asa French.

Voted, That the polls shall be closed at one o'clock P. M.; and at that time they were declared closed.

The tellers having completed their work, the Moderator declared the result of the ballots as follows, namely:

Whole number of votes, 640.

For Town Clerk,—Scattering, 1; Samuel A. Bates, 634; and he was declared elected, and sworn by the Moderator.

Town Treasurer,—Scattering, 1; Andrew J. Bates, 639; and he was declared elected, and sworn by the Town Clerk.

Selectmen, Assessors, Overseers of the Poor, and Surveyors of Highways,—Scattering, 3; J. Franklin Bates, 283; Ansel O. Clark, 637; Nathaniel F. Hunt, 634; R. Allen Gage, 348; and Ansel O. Clark, Nathaniel F. Hunt and R. Allen Gage were declared elected, and sworn by the Town Clerk.

School Committee for three years,—Rebecca H. Morrison, 634; Ann M. Brooks, 633; and they were declared elected, and afterwards accepted the office.

Constables,—Scattering, 12; Howard M. Hobart, 638; Joshua M. Bunker, 638; Gilman D. Whittaker, 638; Albert Hobart, 638; Joseph S. Marsh, 638; Thomas Downey, 637; James A. Reynolds, 634; Edwin L. Curtis, 631; Horace Faxon, 629; B. J. Loring, Jr., 625; Henry B. Vinton, 622; John Kelley, 594; and they were declared elected, and Howard M. Hobart, Albert Hobart, Thomas Downey, James A. Reynolds, Edwin L. Curtis, Horace Faxon, B. J. Loring, Jr., and John Kelley were afterwards sworn by the Town Clerk. The others declined to accept the office.

Auditors,—Scattering, 1; George D. Willis, 639; John M. Beals, 636; Alverdo Mason, 626; and they were declared elected, and were sworn by the Town Clerk.

Fence Viewers,—Scattering, 1; Freeman G. Crosby, 640; John V. Scollard, 636; J. Franklin Bates, 627; and they were declared elected, and Freeman G. Crosby and John V. Scollard were sworn by the Town Clerk.

J. Franklin Bates having declined, Josiah Penniman was elected to fill the vacancy, and he was sworn by the Town Clerk.

Water Commissioner for three years,—Scattering, 1; Joel F. Sheppard, 270; John V. Scollard, 358; and John V. Scollard was declared elected, and accepted the office.

“Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?”

Whole number of ballots, 369. Yes, 90; No, 279.

There being two John Kelleys upon the voting list, it was voted that the "John Kelley of Quincy Avenue," is understood as having been elected Constable.

Conrad Mischler was elected Constable by ballot, in place of Henry B. Vinton, declined, and sworn by the Town Clerk.

Voted, To choose three Measurers of Grain.

Willie J. Loring and J. Marcus Arnold were chosen, and sworn by the Town Clerk.

J. Francis White was also chosen, and afterwards declined.

Voted, To choose four Weighers of Hay.

Martin L. Tupper, J. Marcus Arnold, Peter B. Lowson and James H. Finegan were chosen, and sworn by the Town Clerk.

Voted, To choose three Measurers of Lumber.

Martin L. Tupper, Benjamin J. Loring, Jr., and George H. Holbrook were chosen, and sworn by the Town Clerk.

Voted, To choose one Measurer of Leather.

Albion C. Drinkwater was chosen, and sworn by the Town Clerk.

Voted, To choose Five Measurers of Wood.

J. Marcus Arnold, Martin L. Tupper, Edward J. Carroll, Edward M. Wight and William Allen were chosen, and sworn by the Town Clerk.

Voted, To choose three Field Drivers.

John W. Mulcahey, William C. Daniels and Walter E. Morrison were chosen, but all declined.

Voted, That one Pound-keeper be appointed by the Selectmen.

Moved, that we proceed to the choice of two Trustees of the Thayer Public Library.

Voted, To lay this motion on the table.

Voted, That the fourth Article be laid on the table.

Voted, To take Article 2 from the table.

Voted, That the report of the Selectmen be accepted.

Article 5 taken up.

Voted, Unanimously, that the Treasurer be authorized, with the approval of the Selectmen, to hire money in anticipation of taxes of the current fiscal year, and to issue notes of the town therefor, and the debts incurred under the authority of this vote are hereby made payable from said taxes.

Voted, Unanimously, that the Treasurer be authorized, with the approval of the Selectmen, to hire money to renew, replace, or pay any existing loan, or any part thereof, and to issue notes of the town therefor.

Article 6 taken up.

The Committee on appropriations then made a report, and the following sums of money were voted to be appropriated for the several objects specified, namely :

Schools,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$9,100 00
School incidentals,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	300 00
Schoolhouse incidentals,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	800 00
Superintendent of schools,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1,200 00
Text-books and supplies,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	700 00
General repairs on highways,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	4,000 00
Stone roads and repairs on same,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	3,000 00
Support of poor,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	4,000 00
Removal of snow,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	500 00
Public Library,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	700 00
Janitor,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	600 00
Town lands,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	100 00
Interest on town debt,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1,200 00
Interest on water bonds,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	4,000 00
Sinking fund,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	2,000 00
Soldiers' aid,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	350 00
Collection and abatements,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	600 00
Insurance on public buildings,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	500 00
Town incidentals,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1,200 00
Town officers,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	2,400 00
Expenses of lawsuits, etc.,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	5,000 00

Voted, That the income of the dog licenses, and the state and town school funds, be appropriated for schools.

Voted, That so much of the bank and corporation tax to the amount of \$7000, be applied to the payment of the above appropriation.

Article 6 laid on the table.

Article 7 laid on the table.

Article 8 taken up.

Voted, To raise and appropriate the sum of \$150 for the purpose of assisting the General Sylvanus Thayer Post, No 87, G. A. R., in defraying the expenses of the services on Memorial Day, and that the same be paid to said Post.

Article 9 taken up.

Voted, That the engine companies shall consist of the same number of men as last year, and that the engineers and members of the Fire Department shall be paid for their services for the present year an amount equal to their poll tax.

Article 6 taken from the table.

Voted, To appropriate the sum of \$1000 for the support of the Fire Department the present fiscal year.

Article 6 laid on the table.

Voted, That Article 33 be taken up, and that all intervening Articles be laid on the table.

Voted, To refer Articles 12, 13, 17, 18, 23, 25, 31, 32, to a committee of nine, to be appointed by the Moderator; said committee to report at the adjourned meeting.

Moderator appointed Albert E. Avery, Henry A. Johnson, Abijah Allen, George D. Willis, Daniel Potter, Samuel A. Bates, John Reed, George H. Arnold, and Elmer E. Abercombie, said committee.

Voted, To adjourn to Tuesday evening, April 2, 1889, at seven o'clock.

SAMUEL A. BATES,

Town Clerk.

BRAINTREE, April 2, 1889.

The town assembled in accordance with the adjournment from March 1, 1889.

The Moderator presiding over the meeting.

Voted, To lay Article 33 on the table.

Article 4 taken from the table.

The Town Clerk reported the following vacancies: Three Constables, one Measurer of Grain, and three Field Drivers.

Voted, To proceed to the choice of one Constable. Jacob W. Reed was elected Constable by ballot, but declined said office.

Voted, That the vacancies in the offices of Field Drivers and Measurer of Grain be filled by the Selectmen, if thought necessary.

Voted, That a committee of three be appointed by the chair to nominate a School Fund Committee. Chair appointed for said committee, J. T. Stevens, B. J. Loring, Jr., and Charles I. Craibe.

Committee reported the names of Alva S. Morrison, George D. Willis, Joseph Dyer, William R. Penniman, Naaman L. White, Willie H. Shaw and Joel F. Sheppard, and said persons were elected by ballot to fill the office of School Fund Committee.

Article 4 laid on the table.

Article 7 taken from the table.

Voted, To accept the following jury list as made by the Selectmen, namely :

Hiram E. Abbott,	Edward A. Hale,	Walter O. Munroe,
Joseph M. Allen,	Everett A. Harris,	Thomas Penniman,
Orace W. Allen,	Edward P. Hayward,	Henry A. Penniman,
William Allen,	Charles A. Hayward,	Edward O. Pierson,
J. Frederick Allen,	Jonathan E. Hayward,	Rodolphus Porter,
Charles G. Anderson,	Howard M. Hobart,	John Reed,
John M. Arnold,	Joseph H. Hobart,	James A. Reynolds,
Richard L. Arnold,	Leander B. Hollis,	John V. Scollard,
Timothy D. Bagley,	Ellis Hollingsworth,	Willie H. Shaw,
Andrew J. Bates,	Hosea Jackson,	Alfred Southworth,
Charles G. Batson,	Salmon F. Jenkins,	William H. Stevens,
John M. Beals,	Charles H. Loring,	David H. B. Thayer,
Elisha A. Belcher,	Frank G. Lunt,	Caleb Thompson,
John A. Brigham,	William H. Macgreggor,	Foster F. Tupper,
William H. Cobb,	Alverdo H. Mason,	Henry B. Vinton,
Charles I. Craibe,	Michael McDermott,	Thomas A. Watson,
Henry F. Crane,	William B. Merritt,	Jonathan F. White,
George A. French,	Charles O. Miller,	Joseph Whitely,
Charles E. French,	Walter E. Morrison,	John Whitty,
Henry Gardner,	R. Elmer Morrison,	Henry B. Whitman.

Article 14 taken from the table.

Voted, That we elect six Trustees of the Thayer Public Library. Yeas, 83; Noes, 63.

Moved to reconsider the vote whereby the town voted to elect six Trustees of the Thayer Public Library.

Rejected. Yeas, 59; Noes, 73.

Voted, That the chair appoint a committee of three to nominate six Trustees of the Thayer Public Library.

Chair appointed Alverdo Mason, John Cavanagh, and Caleb Thompson said committee; they to report at an adjourned meeting.

Voted, To adjourn to Monday, April, 22, 1889, at one o'clock; P. M.

SAMUEL A. BATES,

Town Clerk.

BRAINTREE, April 22, 1889.

The town assembled in accordance with the adjournment from April 2, 1889.

The Moderator called the meeting to order.

Article 14 before the meeting.

Committee to nominate six Trustees of the Thayer Public Library, reported the following names, viz:

For one year, Willie H. Shaw and George D. Willis.

For two years, Albert E. Avery and Alverdo H. Mason.

For three years, Nathaniel H. Hunt and John M. Beals.

Moved to proceed to ballot for six Trustees of the Thayer Public Library,—two for one year, two for two years, and two for three years.

Voted, That the above motion be indefinitely postponed.

Article 4 taken from the table.

Voted, To proceed to the choice of two Trustees of the Thayer Public Library in accordance with the By-laws.

The ballot having been taken, the Moderator declared that 54 ballots had been cast, and were for the following persons, namely:

Scattering, 10; Nathaniel H. Hunt, 49; John M. Beals, 49; and they were declared elected.

Article 4 was then laid on the table.

Article 6 taken from the table.

Voted, That all taxes assessed the current year shall be payable on or before the first day of December, 1889; and on all taxes not paid on or before the said first day of December, interest at the rate of six per centum per annum shall be charged and collected from the said first day of December, until the tax is paid; and that the collector is required immediately after the first day of January, 1890, to exert all the power vested in him by law for the collection of all unpaid taxes.

Voted, To let out the collection of taxes to the lowest bidder; and David H. B. Thayer having agreed to collect them for one per cent. was elected, by ballot, Collector of Taxes for the ensuing year, and was sworn by the Town Clerk.

Article 6 taken from the table.

Voted, To assess \$36,400 for the expenses of the town the current year.

Voted, That it is the expression of the town that the Selectmen expend the \$3,000 already raised solely for the construction of stone roads.

Voted, That the 400 printed catalogues of the books in the Thayer Public Library be sold at 50 cents each, and the money be paid into the town treasury.

Voted, That we raise and appropriate \$100 for conveying and distributing books from the Public Library in the east part of the town.

Article 33 taken from the table.

The committee to whom were referred Articles 12, 13, 17, 18, 23, 25, 31 and 32 made a report, and it was voted that the report be acted on in connection with the several articles named.

Article 12 taken from the table.

Voted, That a committee of three be appointed by the chair to examine into the rights and liabilities of the town of Braintree in relation to Smelt Brook, and report at some future meeting.

Alverdo Mason, Charles C. Mellen and J. Franklin Bates were appointed said committee.

Article 13 taken from the table.

Voted, That a committee of three be appointed by the Moderator to consider a system of sewerage and drainage, and

report thereon at the next annual town meeting; and that said committee serve without pay.

Moderator appointed T. H. Dearing, Henry M. White and Albert E. Avery said committee.

Article 17 taken from the table.

Voted, That a committee of three be appointed by the chair to consider, and report at the next annual town meeting, a method for lighting the streets and public buildings; and that said committee serve without pay.

The chair appointed James T. Stevens, E. Watson Arnold and L. O. Crocker said committee.

Article 18 taken from the table.

Voted, That the Selectmen consider, and report at the next annual town meeting, the estimated expense of rebuilding the waterway at Cart Bridge, together with such plans and specifications for rebuilding the same as they see fit.

Article 23 taken from the table.

Voted, That the subject be indefinitely postponed.

Article 25 taken from the table.

Voted, That the town, although desirous of compensating Mr. B. J. Loring, Jr., for the losses sustained by him while in the faithful performance of his duties as a Constable of the town, yet being of the opinion that the town cannot legally authorize the expenditure of money for such a purpose, no action be taken on this article.

Article 31 taken from the table.

Voted, That the Selectmen be requested to petition the County Commissioners to relocate the highway known as Hancock street, and particularly that portion thereof extending from the junction with Washington street on the northerly side of Cart Bridge to the land of the heirs of John H. Thayer.

Article 32 taken from the table.

Voted, That a committee of three be appointed by the Moderator to consider, consult with the Adjutant General, obtain from him such plans and estimates as he may have in his possession, for the purpose of building an armory for Company K, M. V. M. Also to ascertain where a piece of land can be procured for a site for said armory, and the cost of the same. Said committee to report at some future meeting, and shall serve without pay.

Moderator appointed as said committee George D. Willis, William H. Reed and L. H. H. Johnson.

Article 33 taken from the table.

Committee on case of Edward Bannon made a report which was received and placed on file.

The Committee on the 250th anniversary made a report which recommended the celebration of that anniversary by the town in its corporate capacity.

Voted, That the town celebrate the 250th anniversary of the incorporation of the town; and that the matter of details and expenses be referred to the same committee, with instructions to report to the town at some future meeting the amount of money necessary to be raised to carry on the celebration.

Article 33 laid on the table.

Article 24 was taken from the table.

The committee to whom was referred the subject of the erection of a High School building in the north part of the town made the following report:

MARCH 4, 1889.

Your committee beg leave to report that they have held a number of meetings and have listened to the representations of the North and East parts of the town, both as to present evils and the immediate demands of the future. The vote of the town appointing this committee seeming to infer that the rooms in the Town Hall devoted to the High School are unfit and inadequate, your committee find that, while they have served their purpose for many years, there has always been serious complaint from the citizens of the East on account of the distance, so that many girls and boys have been deprived of the advantages of a High School course. Benefits, however, which some parents have been able to give their children by sending them to Quincy or Weymouth.

It is represented that the health of boys and girls is endangered by the long walk in inclement weather, and a number of cases have been reported to your committee where hard working mechanics have preferred to pay the tuition in Weymouth rather than risk the health of their children. It is also stated that parties desirous to locate in East Braintree are often turned away when they learn of these disadvantages of location. It is also represented that the Town Hall is wholly needed for town purposes, for armory, for officers' rooms, and for use of the different town officers and committees.

In addition to these representations and of prime importance in itself is the fact that the High School is over crowded already, as are other school rooms, and with the prospect of a large addition to our population some steps must be taken to secure more accommodations.

The Middle Street School is already overflowing, and as its surplus naturally goes to the Union School, and as that schoolhouse can hold no more, it seems to the committee that the time has come to take the first steps to provide new quarters. Therefore, the committee recommend that the town secure a proper location in the North part of the town for a building to contain the High School and the overflow from the other schools in that part of the town. And as a site which is equally accessible from East Braintree and all parts of the South by railroad, they would recommend the location east of the First Parish Church, known as the Thayer estate.

W. H. SHAW,
JOHN KELLEY,
ALVA S. MORRISON,
A. J. BATES,
Committee.

Not signed by George D. Willis, P. D. Holbrook, Richard Arnold.

Voted, To adjourn to Tuesday, May 7, 1889, at 7.30 o'clock P. M.

BRAINTREE, May 7, 1889.

The town met in accordance with the adjournment from April 22, 1889.

Francis A. Hobart in the chair.

Article 24 under consideration.

Voted, That the whole matter be placed in the hands of the School Committee and Superintendent of Schools, and that they be directed to examine into the subject and report at the next annual meeting.

Article 29 taken from the table.

Voted, To accept Myrtle street, Spruce street and Vine street, as shown upon a plan of land belonging to Edward Reed, made by Charles A. Pierson in September, 1887, and as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 28 taken from the table.

Voted, To accept Standish avenue as laid out by the Selectmen, and appropriate \$150 to build the same.

Article 26 taken from the table.

Voted, That the town sell said land, and that the price shall be determined by the Selectmen.

Article 20 taken from the table.

Voted, That it be indefinitely postponed.

Article 27 taken from the table.

Voted, That it be indefinitely postponed.

Article 19 taken from the table.

Voted, To accept that portion of Tremont street extending from Taylor street to Central avenue, as laid out by the Selectmen, and appropriate \$250 for improving the same.

Article 30 taken from the table.

Voted, That it be indefinitely postponed.

Article 15 taken from the table.

Voted, That it be indefinitely postponed.

Voted, Unanimously, that the Moderator be paid the sum of \$25 for his services in that position.

Voted, To adjourn *sine die*.

NORFOLK, ss. To either of the constables of the town of Braintree, GREETING :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of Braintree, qualified to vote in elections, to meet at the Town Hall in said Braintree, on Monday, the twenty-second day of April, 1889, at 7.30 o'clock in the forenoon, to give in their votes to the Selectmen on the following article of Amendment to the Constitution, namely :

The manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors to be used as a beverage are prohibited. The General Court shall enact suitable legislation to enforce the provisions of this article. The polls shall be kept open until 12 o'clock m.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting true and attested copies of the same in not less than nine public

places in this town, seven days, at least, before the time of said meeting; and by publishing once in the Braintree Observer.

Hereof fail not, but make return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Selectmen before the time of said meeting.

Given under our hands, at Braintree, this eighth day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine.

ANSEL O. CLARK,
NATHANIEL F. HUNT,
R. ALLEN GAGE,

Selectmen of Braintree.

NORFOLK, ss.

BRAINTREE, April 13, 1889.

Pursuant to the within warrant, I have notified the inhabitants of the town of Braintree herein described, to meet at the time and place, and for the purposes within mentioned, by posting up attested copies of this warrant at more than nine public places in said town of Braintree, seven days, at least, before the time set for said meeting; and by publishing it in the Braintree Observer once before the time set for said meeting.

HORACE FAXON,

Constable of Braintree.

A TRUE COPY.

Attest:

SAMUEL A. BATES,

Town Clerk.

BRAINTREE, April 22, 1889.

In accordance with the above warrant, the meeting was called to order by Ansel O. Clark, chairman of the Selectmen, and the warrant read. The polls were declared open at seven hours and thirty-three minutes A. M.

The chairman appointed George D. Willis and Willie H. Shaw as tellers, and they were sworn by the Town Clerk.

Voted, That the polls shall be closed at 12.30 P. M.; and at that time they were declared closed.

The chairman announced the result of the ballot as follows, namely :

Whole number of ballots, 450. Yes, 154 ; No, 296.

Voted, To dissolve this meeting.

SAMUEL A. BATES,
Town Clerk.

NORFOLK, ss. To either of the constables of the town of
Braintree, GREETING :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of Braintree, qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Braintree, on Tuesday, the seventh day of May, 1889, at seven and one-quarter o'clock in the evening, to act on the following articles, namely :

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To see if the town will elect six Trustees of the Thayer Public Library, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 304 of the Acts and Resolves of the Legislature of 1888.

ART. 3. To choose any committee, and hear the report of any committee, and act thereon.

You are to give notice of this meeting by posting true and attested copies of this warrant in not less than nine public places in this town, seven days, at least, before the time of said meeting, and by publishing once in the Braintree Observer.

Hereof fail not, but make return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk before the time of said meeting.

Given under our hands at Braintree, this twenty-ninth day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine.

ANSEL O. CLARK,
NATHANIEL F. HUNT,
R. ALLEN GAGE,

Selectmen of Braintree.

NORFOLK, ss.

BRAINTREE, April, 30, 1889.

Pursuant to the within warrant, I have notified the inhabitants of the town of Braintree herein described, to meet at the time and place, and for the purposes within mentioned, by posting up attested copies of this warrant at more than nine public places in said town of Braintree, seven days before the time set for said meeting; and I have likewise caused the said warrant to be published in the Braintree Observer once before the time set for said meeting.

HORACE FAXON,

Constable of Braintree.

A TRUE COPY.

Attest:

SAMUEL A. BATES,

Town Clerk.

BRAINTREE, May 7, 1889.

In accordance with the foregoing warrant, the meeting was called to order, and the warrant read by the Town Clerk.

Under Article 1, Francis A. Hobart was elected Moderator by the use of the check-list, and was sworn by the Town Clerk.

ART. 2. *Voted*, That the consideration of this article be indefinitely postponed.

ART. 3. Resolutions were offered by Alverdo Mason, upon which no action was taken.

Voted, That we adjourn.

SAMUEL A. BATES,
Town Clerk.

NORFOLK, ss. To either of the constables of the town of
Braintree, GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of Braintree, qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall in said Braintree, on Wednesday, the twenty-sixth day of June, 1889, at eight o'clock in the evening, to act on the following articles, namely:

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To see if the town will vote to establish a system of police, and appropriate such sum of money as may be deemed necessary for the maintenance of the same.

ART. 3. To see if the town will authorize the committee on street lighting to make a report at said meeting.

ART. 4. To see if the town will favor the granting by the Selectmen of a franchise for an Electric Light Company, as petitioned for by J. T. Stevens and others.

ART. 5. To see if the town will vote to instruct the Selectmen, and request the School Committee, to have water placed in the public buildings and schoolhouses on the line of the pipes of the Water Company.

ART. 6. To see if the town will authorize the Selectmen to extend water pipes from the pipes of the Water Company near Cart Bridge, to the point on Hancock street to the house of J. T. Stevens, and make such other extensions as may be deemed proper.

You are to give notice of this meeting by posting true and attested copies of this warrant in not less than nine public places

in this town, seven days, at least, before the time of said meeting; and by publishing once in the Braintree Observer.

Hereof fail not, but make return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk before the time of said meeting.

Given under our hands at Braintree, this seventeenth day of June, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine.

ANSEL O. CLARK,
NATHANIEL F. HUNT,
R. ALLEN GAGE,

Selectmen of Braintree.

NORFOLK, ss.

BRAINTREE, June 18, 1889.

Pursuant to the within warrant, I have notified the inhabitants of the town of Braintree herein described, to meet at the time and place, and for the purposes within mentioned, by posting up attested copies of this warrant at more than nine public places in said town, seven days before the time set for said meeting; and I have likewise caused the said warrant to be published in the Braintree Observer once before the time set for said meeting.

HORACE FAXON,
Constable of Braintree.

A TRUE COPY.

Attest :

SAMUEL A. BATES,
Town Clerk.

BRAINTREE, June 26, 1889.

In accordance with the foregoing warrant, the meeting was called to order, and the warrant read by the Town Clerk.

Upon ballot, by the use of the check-list, Francis A. Hobart was elected Moderator, and sworn by the Town Clerk.

Voted, That Article 2 be indefinitely postponed.

Article 3 was taken up.

Voted, That the Committee on Street Lighting be requested to report at this time.

Said committee then made the following report, which was received and ordered to be placed on file :

REPORT.

The committee appointed by the town to consider and report upon the best method of lighting the public buildings and streets of the town, have given such consideration as possible during the limited time they have had the matter in charge. From the fact that we were not authorized to incur any expense, we have not visited other places or been able to examine the methods adopted, but from inquiries made, and from statements in the public press, we find that all the towns in this vicinity,—Dedham, Stoughton, Weymouth, Randolph, Holbrook, Hingham, Hyde Park, and the city of Quincy, and many other places,—are adopting some system of electric lighting ; and this method is now generally acknowledged to be the best, as well as the most economical. We are not prepared to advise or recommend that the town take immediate action, but we are decidedly of the opinion that it is for the best interest of the town that at an early date the town should take steps to secure the lighting of our public streets and buildings by electricity ; contracting with such parties as will furnish the best system at the lowest price.

JAMES T. STEVENS,
E. WATSON ARNOLD,

Committee.

Voted, That the committee be continued ; and they are hereby instructed to make further investigation, and are authorized to incur such expense as they may deem necessary.

Voted, That Article 4 be laid on the table.

Article 5 taken up.

Voted, That the School Committee be requested to put water into such schoolhouses as they shall deem expedient.

Voted, That the Selectmen are hereby instructed to have water placed in the Town House.

Article 6 taken up.

Voted, That the subject matter of Article 6 be referred to the Water Commissioners, with full powers to make such extensions of the water pipes as they may deem necessary ; *provided*, that the same can be done without prejudice, or in any way affecting the legal rights of the town in proceedings now pending before commissioners for settlement of matters between the town and the Braintree Water Supply Company.

Voted, To adjourn.

SAMUEL A. BATES,

Town Clerk.

NORFOLK, ss. To either of the constables of the town of
Braintree, GREETING :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of Braintree, qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall in Braintree, on Wednesday, the sixteenth day of October, 1889, at seven and one half o'clock in the evening, to act on the following articles, namely :

ART. 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To hear the report of the committee chosen by the town to take into consideration the matter of lighting the streets of the town ; and take such action thereon as may be deemed necessary.

You are to give notice of this meeting by posting true and attested copies of this warrant in not less than nine public places in this town, seven days, at least, before the time of said meeting ; and by publishing once in the Braintree Observer.

Hereof fail not, but make return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk before the time of said meeting.

Given under our hands at Braintree, this eighth day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine.

ANSEL O. CLARK,

R. ALLEN GAGE,

Selectmen of Braintree.

NORFOLK, ss.

BRAINTREE, October 9, 1889.

Pursuant to the within warrant, I have notified the inhabitants of the town of Braintree herein described, to meet at the time and place, and for the purposes within mentioned, by posting up attested copies of this warrant in more than nine public places in said town of Braintree, seven days before the time set for said meeting; and I have likewise caused the said warrant to be published in the Braintree Observer once before the time set for said meeting.

HORACE FAXON,

Constable of Braintree.

A TRUE COPY.

Attest:

SAMUEL A. BATES,

Town Clerk.

BRAINTREE, October 16, 1889.

In accordance with the foregoing warrant, the meeting was called to order, and the warrant read by the Town Clerk.

A ballot was then taken, with the use of the check-list, and Asa French was declared elected Moderator, and sworn by the Town Clerk.

ART. 2. The committee on lighting the town made the following report, namely:

Your committee in June last made a partial report upon the subject matter referred to them, at which time the town took no definite action, other than to refer the matter back to us, with instructions to make a more extended investigation. Since that time we have given the subject much thought and attention, and have consulted with parties actually engaged in the business of electric and gas lighting, and also with individuals and the authorities of other towns which have adopted one or the other of the various systems in vogue. We are confirmed in the opinion we then expressed, that it is for the best interest of the town that at an early date it should take steps to secure the lighting of our streets and public buildings by electricity; and while by law, towns are authorized to establish plants for their own purposes, they are prohibited from selling or furnishing light or power to the people, either for business purposes or for private houses, which is an important element in the revenue to be derived in connection with the establishment of an electric plant. We

therefore are decidedly of the opinion that for the town to attempt to do the work without this right would be much more costly and expensive than to contract with some established company now formed, or to be formed, securing, as we said before, the best system at the lowest price; the whole matter to be decided by competition.

At the present time there are two methods, or systems, one known as the arc light, and the other comprising a series of lights, or the incandescent system. Most of the towns in Massachusetts where contracts have been made have adopted the arc system; but your committee believe that the series of lights of the incandescent system has great merit, and some advantages, and can be furnished at no greater price than the cost of the arc light, and prove more satisfactory to our people. There is but one town, so far as we can learn, that has established its own plant, and that is the town of Danvers; and as, under the law, it had no authority to supply its citizens with light or power, the expense was so great that the town petitioned the last Legislature for authority so to do; but the Legislature not only refused to assist, but also refused to pass a general law conferring that right upon all the towns and cities.

So far as towns have entered into contracts with established companies, the cost to each shows a very wide margin, caused principally by the extent of territory to be covered, and the number of miles of wire and poles required. Some months ago certain citizens of Braintree petitioned the Selectmen for a franchise to establish and operate an electric plant in this town, they having in view, as we are assured, the organization of a company comprising such of our citizens from the different sections of the town as were willing to invest their capital in such an enterprise, and also to secure this right to our own town's people, rather than allow it to go into outside hands. No hearing was given by the Selectmen until a company, formed and organized under the general laws, obtained a charter from the State. This company, comprising gentlemen resident in other towns, made application to the Selectmen for a franchise. A hearing was had, at which time, by concurrence of all parties, the matter was deferred for action until this committee reported at a town meeting called for the purpose.

We believe it for the best interest of the town, present and future, that this right should be given to our own citizens, if they are willing to invest their money, and give such guarantees as the town may require that they will establish an adequate and proper system, and our people supplied with good light and power, and on as reasonable terms and conditions as enjoyed by other towns; giving reasonable, but satisfactory, bonds to protect the town from any and all liability

to persons and property. We believe in a general and comprehensive system, embracing the whole town, and that the granting of private rights, involving the use of our public streets, is detrimental and injurious to the best interests of the people as a whole, because the granting of such privileges seriously interfere with a systematic system for street lighting, embracing all parts of the town, and will ultimately involve the town in a largely increased expense, by compelling it to establish and maintain an independent plant for that purpose.

As the result of our investigation, based on the results in other towns, we are of the opinion that contracts can be made, securing a comprehensive system of street lighting, embracing the principal streets of the three villages, at a cost of about \$3,000 annually. Such a contract, while it will be advantageous for the town in its corporate capacity, will also enable our citizens and business establishments to have both power and light on reasonable terms. And we recommend that the Selectmen be authorized and empowered to ascertain upon what terms contracts can be made embracing the streets to be covered, and report at some future meeting. And we further recommend that the town grant a franchise to responsible parties to engage in the work.

JAMES T. STEVENS,
L. O. CROCKER,
E. WATSON ARNOLD,

Committee.

Voted, That the above report be accepted.

Voted, That it is the sense of this meeting that a franchise for an electric light company be granted by the Selectmen to any organization owned by citizens of Braintree; *provided*, the Selectmen shall receive satisfactory assurance from said petitioners that the work will be prosecuted and completed at the earliest practicable date, and upon such terms and conditions as they deem necessary to protect the public interests; *provided*, that if such franchise is granted, it shall be on the express condition that such franchise shall not be sold or assigned to any other company or organization without the assent of the citizens of the town.

Voted, To adjourn.

SAMUEL A. BATES,
Town Clerk.

NORFOLK, ss. To either of the constables of the town of
Braintree, GREETING :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of Braintree, qualified to vote in elections, to meet at the Town Hall in said Braintree, on Tuesday, the fifth day of November, 1889, at seven o'clock in the forenoon, to bring in their votes to the Selectmen for a Governor of the Commonwealth, Lieutenant-Governor, Secretary of the Commonwealth, Treasurer and Receiver General, Auditor, Attorney General of the Commonwealth, Councillor for the second Councillor District, Sheriff for the County of Norfolk, one County Commissioner, two Special Commissioners, three Commissioners of Insolvency, District Attorney for the South-eastern District, County Treasurer to fill existing vacancy for unexpired term, Senator for the first Norfolk Senatorial District, one Representative to the General Court for District No. Six of the County of Norfolk; all on one ballot.

The polls will be open at seven o'clock A. M., and will be kept open until two o'clock P. M.

You are directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies thereof in nine public places in this town, seven days, at least, before the time of said meeting; and by publishing once in the Braintree Observer.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Selectmen before the time of said meeting.

Given under our hands at Braintree, this twenty-fifth day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine.

ANSEL O. CLARK,
NATHANIEL F. HUNT,
R. ALLEN GAGE,

Selectmen of Braintree.

NORFOLK, ss.

BRAINTREE, October 26, 1889.

Pursuant to the within warrant, I have notified the inhabitants of the town of Braintree herein described, to meet at the time and place, and for the purposes within mentioned, by posting up attested copies of this warrant in more than nine public places, seven days before the time set for said meeting in said town of Braintree; and I have likewise caused the said warrant to be published in the Braintree Observer once before the time set for said meeting.

HORACE FAXON,

Constable of Braintree.

A TRUE COPY.

Attest:

SAMUEL A. BATES,

Town Clerk.

BRAINTREE, November 5, 1889.

In accordance with the foregoing warrant, the meeting was called to order and the warrant read by Ansel O. Clark, chairman of the Board of Selectmen, who presided at the meeting.

Andrew J. Bates and J. Franklin Bates having been appointed Inspectors, and Charles C. Mellen and John V. Scollard Deputy Inspectors by the Selectmen, were sworn by the Town Clerk.

The Town Clerk delivered to the presiding officer the first set of ballots, and received his receipt for the same.

The cards of instruction and specimen ballots were posted according to law.

The Clerk of the Board of Registrars furnished the presiding officer with a list of the qualified voters for the use of the Selectmen, and a duplicate copy for the use of the ballot clerks.

The polls were declared open at 10 minutes past 7 o'clock A. M.

Voted, That the polls be closed at two o'clock P. M.; and at that time the polls were declared closed.

The ballot box was opened twice during the balloting by the unanimous consent of the officers.

At the close of the balloting, the presiding officer announced that 621 names had been checked by the ballot clerks, and that 621 names had been checked by the Selectmen.

At the close of the counting of the ballots he also announced

621 ballots were deposited, that they were all cancelled, and that they were for the following persons, namely :

GOVERNOR.

John Q. A. Brackett, of Arlington, Republican,	.	.	308
William E. Russell, of Cambridge, Democratic,	.	.	265
John Blackmer, of Springfield, Prohibition,	.	.	22
Blanks,	.	.	26
Total,	.	.	621

LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.

William H. Haile, of Springfield, Republican,	.	.	320
John W. Corcoran, of Clinton, Democratic,	.	.	234
Benjamin F. Sturtevant, of Boston, Prohibition,	.	.	24
Blanks	.	.	43
Total,	.	.	621

SECRETARY.

Henry B. Peirce, of Abington, Republican,	.	.	318
William N. Osgood, of Boston, Democratic,	.	.	227
George D. Crittenden, of Buckland, Prohibition,	.	.	17
Blanks,	.	.	59
Total,	.	.	621

TREASURER AND RECEIVER GENERAL.

George A.. Marden, of Lowell, Republican,	.	.	318
Edwin L. Munn, of Holyoke, Democratic,	.	.	225
Frederick L. Wing, of Ashburnham, Prohibition,	.	.	18
Blanks,	.	.	60
Total,	.	.	621

AUDITOR.

Charles R. Ladd, of Springfield, Republican,	.	.	318
William D. T. Trefry, of Marblehead, Democratic,	.	.	226
William H. Gleason, of Boston, Prohibition,	.	.	22
Blanks,	.	.	55
Total,	.	.	621

ATTORNEY GENERAL.

Andrew J. Waterman, of Pittsfield, Republican, . . .	309
Elisha B. Maynard, of Springfield, Democratic, . . .	231
Allen Coffin, of Nantucket, Prohibition, . . .	19
Blanks,	62
Total,	<hr/> 621

COUNCILLOR, SECOND DISTRICT.

Arthur W. Tufts, of Boston, Republican, . . .	304
George O. Wentworth, of Stoughton, Democratic, . . .	230
William H. Phillips, of Taunton, Prohibition, . . .	21
Blanks,	66
Total,	<hr/> 621

DISTRICT ATTORNEY, SOUTH-EASTERN DISTRICT.

Charles W. Sumner, of Brockton, Republican, . . .	284
Harvey H. Pratt, of Abington, Democratic, . . .	256
Blanks,	81
Total,	<hr/> 621

SHERIFF.

Augustus B. Endicott, of Dedham, Democratic-Citizen, . . .	340
J. Walter Bradlee, of Milton, Republican, . . .	241
Hubbard M. Bullock, of Franklin, Prohibition, . . .	4
Blanks,	36
Total,	<hr/> 621

COUNTY COMMISSIONER.

John Q. A. Lothrop, of Cohasset, Republican, . . .	319
Edgar H. Bowers, of Needham, Democratic, . . .	221
Joshua B. Hanners, of Walpole, Prohibition, . . .	14
Blanks,	67
Total,	<hr/> 621

SPECIAL COMMISSIONERS.

George L. Wentworth, of Weymouth, Republican,	. . .	289
Everett L. Eaton, of Needham, Republican,	. . .	270
Albert E. Avery, of Braintree, Democratic,	. . .	246
Bartholomew Doody, of Canton, Democratic,	. . .	198
Wilbur F. Martin, of Randolph, Prohibition,	. . .	20
James Warren Clark, of Millis, Prohibition,	. . .	18

COMMISSIONERS OF INSOLVENCY.

Robert W. Carpenter, of Foxborough, Republican,	. . .	299
George W. Wiggin, of Franklin, Republican,	. . .	298
Emery Grover, of Needham, Republican,	. . .	288
John W. McAnarney, of Quincy, Democratic,	. . .	214
Henry E. Ruggles, of Franklin, Democratic,	. . .	211
George R. R. Rivers, of Milton, Democratic,	. . .	210

COUNTY TREASURER.

Charles H. Smith, of Dedham, Democratic-Republican,	. . .	463
Alva Morrison, of Braintree,	. . . . .	1
J. F. Bates,	. . . . .	1
James McSweeney,	. . . . .	1
Blanks,	. . . . .	155
Total,	. . . . .	621

SENATOR, FIRST NORFOLK DISTRICT.

Willard F. Gleason, of Holbrook, Republican,	. . .	293
William Everett, of Quincy, Democratic,	. . .	269
Merritt P. Alderman, of Hyde Park, Prohibition,	. . .	10
Blanks,	. . . . .	49
Total,	. . . . .	621

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT, SIXTH NORFOLK DISTRICT.

Ansel O. Clark, of Braintree, Democratic,	. . .	384
Abram C. Holbrook, of Holbrook, Republican,	. . .	208
Blanks,	. . . . .	29
Total,	. . . . .	621

The returns were then signed and sealed; the ballots sealed according to law, and delivered to the Town Clerk; the check-list sealed and delivered to the Selectmen.

The check-list used by the ballot clerks was sealed and delivered to the Selectmen, and the unused ballots sealed and delivered to the Town Clerk.

Voted, At 37 minutes past nine o'clock P. M., that this meeting be now dissolved, having been in continuous session 14 hours and 37 minutes.

SAMUEL A. BATES,
Town Clerk.

To the Town Clerk of the Town of Braintree :

We, the undersigned, legal voters of the town of Braintree, respectfully represent that we have reason to believe that the returns of the Selectmen of said town are erroneous, in the return of the vote cast for District Attorney for the South-eastern District, in said town, at the election held on Tuesday, November 5, 1889. Wherefore, we pray that this statement may be transmitted to the Selectmen, and a recount of the votes cast for the candidates for said office be had, according to the provisions of Chapter 262 of the Acts of 1886.

ALBERT E. AVERY,
AUG. A. RANDALL,
EDWARD AVERY,
CRANMORE N. WALLACE,
EDWARD SHAY,
C. G. ANDERSON,
F. G. CROSBY,
H. H. THAYER,
E. A. WILDE,
J. R. CARMICHAEL.

Filed in the office of the Clerk of the town of Braintree, this eleventh day of November, 1889, at 3 hours 43 minutes P. M.

SAMUEL A. BATES,
Town Clerk.

To the Town Clerk of the Town of Braintree :

We, the undersigned, legal voters of the town of Braintree, respectfully represent that we have reason to believe that the returns of the election officers of said town are erroneous, in the return of the vote cast for Senator for the First Norfolk Senatorial District, in said town, at the election held on Tuesday, November 5, 1889, in the following respects :

First, That the votes so cast have not been accurately counted.

Second, That certain votes have not been counted on account of alleged defective marking.

Wherefore, we pray that this statement may be transmitted to the Selectmen of said town of Braintree, and a recount of the votes cast for the candidates for said office be had, according to the provisions of Chapter 262 of the acts of the year 1886.

ALBERT E. AVERY,
CRANMORE N. WALLACE,
ALVERDO MASON,
IBRAHIM MORRISON,
N. E. HOLLIS,
EDWARD AVERY,
AUG. A. RANDALL,
EDWARD SHAY,
C. G. ANDERSON,
F. G. CROSBY,
H. H. THAYER,
E. A. WILD.

Filed in the office of the Clerk of the town of Braintree, this eleventh day of November, 1889, at 3 hours 43 minutes P. M.

SAMUEL A. BATES,
Town Clerk.

BRAINTREE, November 11, 1889, at 4 h. 9 min. P. M.

I hereby transmit the within petition to the Selectmen of Braintree.

SAMUEL A. BATES,
Town Clerk.

A TRUE COPY.

Attest:

SAMUEL A. BATES,
Town Clerk.

A meeting of the Selectmen was held in the Town House on Tuesday, November 12, 1889, at 6.30 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of recounting the votes for District Attorney and Senator, in accordance with the above petition.

Samuel A. Bates, Town Clerk, was appointed to assist in recounting the votes, and sworn to the faithful performance of his duties.

Hon. F. A. Hobart appeared as counsel for Charles W. Sumner, and Willard F. Gleason and A. E. Avery, Esq., for Harvey H. Pratt and William Everett.

After recounting the votes for District Attorney for the South-eastern District, it was found that,

Charles W. Sumner, of Brockton, had	.	.	.	.	284
Harvey H. Pratt, of Abington, had	.	.	.	.	256
Blanks,	.	.	.	.	75
Defective,	.	.	.	.	6
Total,	.	.	.	.	621

Of the defective ballots, Sumner had 6, and Pratt 2.

After recounting the votes for Senator for the First Norfolk District, it was found that,

Willard F. Gleason, of Holbrook, had	.	.	.	.	293
William Everett, of Quincy, had	.	.	.	.	269
Merritt P. Alderman, of Hyde Park, had	.	.	.	.	10
Blanks,	.	.	.	.	41
Defective,	.	.	.	.	8
Total,	.	.	.	.	621

Of the defective ballots, Gleason had 6, and Everett 2.

The Board decided that the defective ballots be counted as blanks.

The meeting of the Board was then dissolved.

ANSEL O. CLARK,
NATHANIEL F. HUNT,
R. ALLEN GAGE,
Selectmen of Braintree.

A TRUE COPY.

Attest: SAMUEL A. BATES,
Town Clerk.

BRAINTREE, November 15, 1889.

The Town Clerks of Braintree and Holbrook met at the Town House in this town, and opened the returns for Representative to the General Court for District No. 6, County of Norfolk, and found that,

Ansel O. Clark, of Braintree, had	.	.	.	.	.	611
Abram C. Holbrook, of Holbrook, had	.	.	.	.	.	407
Blanks,	.	.	.	.	.	61
Total,	.	.	.	.	.	1,079

Ansel O. Clark, of Braintree, was declared elected; and the necessary certificates were signed and delivered to Edwin L. Curtis, Constable of Braintree.

Voted, To adjourn sine die.

SAMUEL A. BATES,
Town Clerk.

BRAINTREE, December 10, 1889.

I hereby certify that I have destroyed the ballots cast on November 5, 1889, without examination of the same, or permitting others so to do.

SAMUEL A. BATES,
Town Clerk.

NORFOLK, ss. To either of the constables of the town of
Braintree, GREETING :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of Braintree, qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall in Braintree, on Wednesday, the 29th day of January, 1890, at 7½ o'clock in the evening, to act on the following articles, namely :

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To see what action the town will take upon the following resolution: *Resolved*, That inasmuch as the town has expressed its desire to own and control its own system of water-works, we, the citizens of Braintree, in town meeting assembled, do hereby instruct the Board of Selectmen to request the Special Commissioners appointed by the Supreme Judicial Court, acting as arbiters between the town and the Braintree Water Supply Company, to resume hearing the evidence in the case, and see that the town is represented at the hearing by the counsel, and to use every endeavor so that the intention of the town may be carried out.

ART. 3. To appoint any committee, hear the report of any committee, and act thereon.

You are to give notice of this meeting by posting true and attested copies of this warrant in not less than nine public places in this town, seven days, at least, before the time of said meeting; and by publishing once in the Braintree Observer.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk before the time of said meeting.

Given under our hands at Braintree, this twentieth day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety.

ANSEL O. CLARK,
NATHANIEL F. HUNT,
R. ALLEN GAGE,

Selectmen of Braintree.

NORFOLK, ss.

BRAINTREE, January 22, 1890.

Pursuant to the within warrant, I have notified the inhabitants of the town of Braintree herein described, to meet at the time and place, and for the purposes within mentioned, by posting up attested copies of this warrant at more than nine public places in said town of Braintree, seven days, at least, before the time set for said meeting; and I have likewise caused the said warrant to be published in the Braintree Observer once before the time set for said meeting.

HORACE FAXON,

Constable of Braintree.

A TRUE COPY.

Attest:

SAMUEL A. BATES,

Town Clerk.

BRAINTREE, January 29, 1890.

In accordance with the foregoing warrant, the meeting was called to order, and the warrant read by the Town Clerk.

A ballot being taken, with the use of the check-list, Francis A. Hobart was declared elected for Moderator, and sworn by the Town Clerk.

ART. 2. Moved that the article be accepted and adopted.

Moved, That the following substitute be adopted, namely: Whereas, the town has expressed its desire and purpose to own and control its own system of water works, and suit is now pending between the town and the Braintree Water Supply Company before Commissioners appointed by the Supreme Judicial Court to determine the price to be paid for the rights, franchise and property of said company; and whereas, it appears that there has been unnecessary expense, and unwarrantable delay in determining the matter;

Resolved, That it is the sense of this meeting, that all matters in dispute should be speedily settled, not only to stop legal expenses, consistent with equity and justice, but that the town may be enabled to secure possession of the works, operate and manage the same and make such extensions of the system of pipes as may be required by the necessities of the people; and

in view of the recent action of the mill owners in disposing of water rights and privileges, we favor such additional legislation as may be necessary to confirm to the town any and all rights which may have been acquired by said Water Company, by purchase or otherwise, so that the town may be fully protected, and may have the full enjoyment and benefits of an efficient water supply for domestic, manufacturing and fire purposes.

The Moderator decided that the substitute is in order.

Voted, To substitute the last for the original motion. Yeas, 40 ; Nays, 22.

Voted, To adopt the substitute above recited.

Voted, That the adoption of the above resolutions shall not be considered as prejudicial to the interests of the town in the matter now pending between the town and the Braintree Water Supply Company.

Voted, That the Town Clerk shall furnish the Special Commissioners with a certified copy of the above action of the town.

Voted, To reconsider the vote whereby the Town Clerk shall furnish a certificate copy of the resolutions.

Voted, That whereas a vacancy exists in the committee on the celebration of the 250th anniversary of the incorporation of the town, caused by the death of Naaman L. White, the Moderator shall appoint some person to fill the vacancy ; and Albert Hobart was appointed.

Voted, To adjourn.

SAMUEL A. BATES,
Town Clerk.

All which is respectfully submitted,

SAMUEL A. BATES,
Town Clerk.



ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
SCHOOL COMMITTEE
OF THE
TOWN OF BRAINTREE,
FOR THE
SCHOOL YEAR 1889—90.

1854 July 18th

SCHOOL BOOKS

1854 July 18th

1854 July 18th

REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

In accordance with the time-honored custom for your Committee to render an account of their stewardship at the close of the fiscal year; and also to make such suggestions and recommendations as in their judgment would be beneficial for the advancement of education, we herewith respectfully submit the school report for 1889-90.

From the detailed report of appropriations and expenditures it will be seen, that in a small amount, we have exceeded our appropriations.

The excess in expenditures was caused by the extensive repairs needed on school buildings and also by the loss of our State school fund, which we are not now entitled to since the town has increased in valuation to over \$3,000,000.

APPROPRIATIONS, 1889-1890.

Town appropriations for schools,	\$9,100 00
Town school fund,	\$400 00
Income from Massachusetts school fund,	26 55
Dog tax,	760 40
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Incidentals for schools,	300 00
Incidentals for schoolhouses,	800 00
Text-books and supplies,	700 00
Superintendent's salary,	1,200 00
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Total,	\$13,286 95

EXPENDITURES.

For schools,	\$10,107 90
Incidentals for schools,	637 46
Incidentals for schoolhouses,	1,044 26
Text-books and supplies,	571 51
Superintendent's salary,	1,000 00
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Total,	\$13,361 13

ESTIMATES FOR THE ENSUING YEAR.

Schools (in addition to income from school funds and dog tax),	\$9,500 00
Text-books and supplies,	700 00
Incidentals for schools,	300 00
Incidentals for schoolhouses,	1,100 00
Superintendent's salary,	1,200 00
For conveying pupils to and from the public schools,	200 00

At present the school property of the town is in quite good condition; but a judicious expenditure must be made yearly, if we would have it best serve its purpose.

An increased appropriation for schoolhouses is asked for this year, to meet the expenses which will be caused by necessary repairs upon the various school buildings, summarized as follows:

Pond School building, for shingling	\$200 00
Union School building, for painting,	125 00
Iron Works building, for new floor in upper rooms,	175 00
West School building, for new floor,	50 00

The second primary school rooms, in both the Pond and Union buildings, are over-crowded and more seating room is needed.

We recommend that an addition be made to the buildings or a room be procured outside.

The increase of salaries, which the Committee took upon themselves to grant to the teachers, has produced good results.

The teachers seem to realize that their work is better appreciated and they are giving faithful service.

We recommend that the town appropriate a sum, not exceeding \$200, to be expended, in the discretion of the Committee, for conveying pupils to and from the public schools.

We recommend the building of a new schoolhouse in the East part of the town, for the purpose of uniting under one roof the children of that section. It has been proved now, beyond doubt, that better results can be obtained by having a sufficient number of pupils brought together in one building, to enable a thorough system of gradation to be used.

The present buildings in use, viz.: The Iron Works and East schoolhouses, are poorly lighted and ill adapted to the present educational needs.

A central location should be selected by the town, and a new building erected thereon, thoroughly fitted with all the latest appliances.

This is a needed improvement and should be made as soon as the town feels able to appropriate a sum sufficient to accomplish the object in a satisfactory manner.

HEATING SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

We desire to call the attention of the town to the question of heating our large school buildings.

At present we use stoves in the three graded school buildings, which necessitates the keeping twelve separate fires—one in each room—and then the teachers complain of being unable to keep a proper temperature on very cold days.

We recommend the adoption of some better method of heating which would require the keeping of but one fire in each building.

The cost of putting in three furnaces would be about \$800.

The use of a furnace would secure a better means of ventilation and also cause much less dirt and dust, as well as result in

the saving of fuel. It is certainly desirable to discontinue the present mode of heating.

GENERAL CONDITION OF SCHOOLS.

From an enumeration of our material needs, we turn with much satisfaction to a report of the status of our teaching force.

During the year, several changes have been made. Mr. Hunt, our former Superintendent, left us to fill a similar position at Clinton, Mass. Our present Superintendent, Mr. Fearing, comes to us from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Boston.

Although he has been with us but a few months, he shows a familiarity with his work and seems to be laboring in the right direction. We are willing to testify to the general good work being done by most of our teachers. This, we think, is due to the keen interest taken by the teachers themselves, and also to the systematic and intelligent arrangement of their work by the Superintendent.

While we are pleased to note that some schools are doing excellent work and are struggling hard to reach the mark required by the Committee, others, we regret to state, have in their work and discipline fallen far below a reasonable, general average.

As a result of such a condition of things, several changes have been made in our corps of teachers.

Under the present course of work, we believe that our schools are advancing, in the right direction, as good results are seen on all sides.

There are many improvements that might be made in our school system which the best methods of progressive education demand, and which in time should be adopted.

But abrupt changes in educational systems require the expenditure of a great deal of money. It is our desire to do as much for the benefit of our schools, as possible, in the way of increasing educational facilities; yet, at the same time we feel justified in exercising a certain degree of conservatism, although not to an extent to interfere with the progressiveness of the age.

If parents and friends would only visit the schools, they would be surprised and greatly impressed with the practical and intelligent work done in all grades. They would more fully realize that a wise expenditure of public money for the cultivation of the keen, alert, young minds in our midst is a noble work for the town.

While rejoicing that our future material prospects are rapidly improving, our obligations as a town must not be forgotten; they are binding upon us, and we ought to realize that to do our part and make our republic greater, we should foster the institutions which promote intellectual growth.

ALBERT E. AVERY,
L. H. H. JOHNSON,
JOHN REED,
E. A. WILDE,
ANNA M. BROOKS,
R. H. MORRISON.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT.

To the School Committee of Braintree,

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN :

In making to you the fifth annual report of the Superintendent of Schools, I feel compelled by the brevity of my service to confine myself very closely to the present condition and needs of the schools, and to indicate only in a general way the policy of administration that impresses me as the wisest to follow. To this some tables of statistics are appended.

The general condition of the schools is to be commended; for it indicates that much hard work has been done to bring them to the present degree of system and proficiency. To change from old, established ways to those that are new and comparatively untried is always a difficult, and often a hazardous, undertaking.

Our schools seem to be in the midst of a transition period from the old to the new.

The old ways are fast disappearing in obedience to the popular cry; "modern methods" are rapidly taking their place.

Nevertheless we should be careful to retain the good things in the old ways, and not to accept everything simply because it bears the stamp of newness. Much has already been done, but much remains to be done. Let us not be misled, however, by the notion that the so-called "modern methods" are all new. There is not much about them that is considered really new by the present generation of educators; they are from 50 years to 2200 years old, and are new only to us and in our application of them to our modern needs.

THE COURSE OF STUDY.

In the course of study as at present conducted, it is contemplated that the pupils will graduate from the Grammar schools in eight years. That is, the child of fair scholarship is expected to be ready to enter the High School at the age of thirteen. As a matter of fact, the average age of the present classes in the High School at the time of their entrance was as follows: of the Senior Class, fourteen years; of the Middle Class, fourteen years and four months; of the Junior Class, fourteen years and five months. Only twenty-four of the seventy-nine present members entered the High School before they were fourteen years old. This indicates very conclusively that we are trying to do more than can well be accomplished in a given time. In those towns where the best results are obtained, nine years are given to the Grammar and lower grades; so that the pupils are not expected to enter the High School until they are fourteen years of age.

What is gained by this endeavor to save a year, is of very doubtful benefit.

On the other hand, it is certainly working a grave injury by requiring pupils to pass from one subject to another before the former one is well mastered. The result is that, in spite of the exertions made, the pupil loses a large portion of what he has attempted to acquire; he is poorly fitted for High School work; and parents, teacher, and pupil alike feel vexed and disappointed.

There are limits to the mental capacity of youth which we must be careful not to over-reach. I believe that this question of time is sufficient to account for many of the present defects in the schools, and I earnestly hope that the Board will speedily consider it.

Much good work is being done in the several branches of study; and, with the exception of reading, language, drawing, and music, I will not offer special criticisms of them in this report.

READING.

Reading has a very good beginning in the lowest grades, but the ease and natural expression brought out there are not well

sustained in the other grades. This seems to be largely due to insufficient study of the art of reading. In the attempt to read rapidly and at sight, clear articulation and correct inflection are often unheeded. The supplementary reading is used excessively and somewhat aimlessly.

I would suggest that there be a daily drill in elocutionary exercises; regular lesson studies in the standard readers; silent reading, of which oral or written abstracts shall be required; and a more judicious use of supplementary readers.

LANGUAGE.

In language, the general aim seems to be excellent, but the details of the course lack in the definiteness and continuity essential to orderly progress.

The work of the Intermediate grades, especially, is much confused. A sharper and more careful distinction should be preserved between the several divisions of grammar and composition work. Some of the composition work is not well adapted to the capacity of the pupils, and needs to be changed.

There is no branch of study more important to the people in general than that of the language we use.

Not only are all other branches of learning dependent upon good language, but it is also so inseparably connected with all our thinking that, if we are unable to use it intelligently, we suffer in the power of close and discriminating thought, and fall into many misunderstandings and humiliations in our business and social relations.

DRAWING.

Drawing should be the means of training the eye to quick and accurate observation, and the hand to habits of neatness and precision; of expressing thought in many cases in which words would be inadequate; of stimulating invention and imagination; and of cultivating good taste.

As at present conducted, the instruction in this branch falls far short of these desirable results. The services of a special teacher of drawing are urgently needed.

MUSIC.

The good effects of what was accomplished in music last year will soon be lost, notwithstanding the endeavors of some teachers, if that subject is allowed to fall into neglect through non-support. Can we afford to neglect it longer? It is the universal tongue of emotion and sentiment; and certainly the mind needs a wholesome training in these directions as well as in the purely intellectual. The remarkable influence that noble song exerts upon armies, upon homes, and upon the whole trend of civilization is to be cherished and extended.

What appeals to the heart, quickens the sympathies, elevates the sentiments, like the sweet song of a little child? It seems to me a few hundred dollars can not be more wisely expended than for special instruction in music.

ORDER AND ATTENDANCE.

Good order is fairly maintained in all the rooms at the present time, and in some rooms it is admirable. In some instances, however, the tact and patience of the teacher have been severely tried. The support of the teacher's efforts, by the parents, is of great value in this matter.

The attendance at school has suffered much interruption from the prevalent influenza, and in consequence it will be more difficult to accomplish the full amount of work necessary for the annual promotions.

There appears also to be too much irregularity in attendance, from other causes.

I am persuaded by an investigation of many cases, that an absence, a tardiness, or a dismissal, before the close of the session might often be prevented by a little forethought. The good effect of calling the attention of the parent to the matter, in a number of cases, confirms me in this opinion.

PATRONAGE.

The time is rapidly approaching when it will be necessary to improve and increase the accommodations of the schools. Several rooms are already crowded to repletion.

The property interests of the town, as well as the educational, would be enhanced by liberal expenditures upon school buildings and grounds.

The presentation of national flags to several of the schools, by public-spirited citizens, is a laudable precedent for similar action in other directions. It would conduce much to the interest and refinement of the pupils, as well as to the general appearance of the community, if the efforts of teachers and pupils to keep a flower in the window could be supplemented by the adornment of the schoolhouse yards with lawns and flowers and shrubbery.

The hearty co-operation of the parents is also solicited in requiring the pupils to exercise care for school property.

It seems to me that, in some cases, there is a needless waste, due to carelessness and thoughtlessness, particularly of the books and supplies so liberally furnished by the town. The reflection that undue waste increases expenditures, and consequently the appropriations, I am sure, will help to abate the evil.

The perennial invitation to parents to visit their own schools frequently and familiarly is again extended. How can they appreciate what is going on in the school room, without seeing for themselves?

And how long shall the children wait for that encouragement which can come only from an interest on the part of the fathers and mothers, strong enough to go and see them at their work?

THE HIGH SCHOOL.

A careful examination of the condition of the High School leads me to ask your attentive consideration of its needs.

In the first place, the course of study is neither well defined nor properly adjusted; and in some respects it does not correspond with the requirements of law.

Aside from English Literature, the course presents only a poor opportunity for acquiring needed attainments in English language.

As in the course for the lower schools so in this, the time allowed is insufficient for the required work. There is need of a thorough revision of the course of study, and I would recommend that it be arranged so as to require four years for its completion.

The facilities for the best methods of instruction are very inadequate. "The highest method of school-work," says Dr. Harris, the present United States Commissioner of Education, and an acknowledged authority, "is the method of investigation."

This method demands ample accommodations and good appliances, in both of which we are decidedly deficient.

The size of the school and the requirements of the course call for an additional teacher, in order to secure the best results.

The crowded limits of the present accommodations will probably make some change imperative before another year passes, and I trust you will embrace the opportunity to introduce such changes as will produce a first-class High School.

I am convinced that there is need of it and that there is room for it. And I am assured there will be no occasion for its conflicting with the interests of Thayer Academy; on the contrary, such a change will be to the advantage of that institution.

Do not the reasons for the maintenance of a first-class High School apply as well to Braintree as to any of the towns comprehended in the foundation of Thayer Academy? Any other view appears to me prejudicial to the interests of our schools.

INDUSTRIAL TRAINING.

The present agitation of the subject of manual training brings us face to face with several important considerations.

Ought the state to engross those years of youth which would otherwise be spent in acquiring practical wisdom or in learning some useful occupation, without substituting a fair equivalent of the same kind? Why do so few boys complete the High School course? Of what practical benefit is the High School course to a young man who must depend upon his hands for a living?

Space forbids an extended discussion of these questions here; but a suggestion may be in order.

The manual training school of the cities is not yet adapted to the needs of the public schools of towns. Even in cities it is hardly an unqualified success. But is there not an actual need in our system of education, not well provided for? I refer to

a methodical training of the eye and the hand (of which drawing is a beginning); to forming more correct notions of distance and direction; to practical measurements and estimates; to the ability to distinguish and select materials,—as kinds of wood, of metals, of textile fabrics; to planning work and economizing materials; and to the orderly development of ingenuity.

THE SUPERINTENDENT'S DUTIES.

In order to correct some misapprehensions and to supply more definite information concerning the duties of the Superintendent of Schools in this town, it has seemed to me that it would not be out of place to insert a somewhat detailed statement of them in this report. These duties may be conveniently classed under three heads,—mercantile, pedagogical, and executive.

The mercantile duties are to purchase text-books and supplies; to distribute them as needed to the several schools; to keep an account of them; to draw the money and pay for them; to make out and approve the regular bills of the teachers and the janitors; and to keep the accounts of the School Committee. There are at present over ninety different books on our list, besides about seventy-five kinds of articles called supplies.

To perform these duties with accuracy and with economy, requires the same expenditure of time and energy that a merchant would make in doing the same work.

The pedagogical duties call upon the Superintendent to visit the schools as a professional teacher; to study their condition and needs; to elaborate the course of study and adapt it to the various grades; to determine and apply the best methods of instruction; to examine and select appropriate books and apparatus; to assist the teachers by suggestion and advice; and to seek constantly for improvements.

In the faithful performance of these duties, it is incumbent upon him to attend educational gatherings, to study the methods employed and work done in the schools of other towns, to read much, and to think more.

It is also necessary for him to hold meetings of the teachers for the discussion and application of measures and methods.

By his executive duties, the Superintendent is charged with the observance of the laws regulating school attendance and instruction; the admission, transfer, and grading of pupils; the preparation and conduct of examinations; the requirements of good discipline and thorough and efficient instruction by the teachers; the general oversight of buildings, grounds, and other school property, and of the care taken of them; the inspection of registers, records, and reports; the receiving and disposal of complaints; the closing of the schools in inclement weather; the supplying of temporary teachers; and the preparation to meet every emergency with promptness. In short, he must keep the schools in running order and insist upon a fair amount of good work.

Such, in substance, I understand to be the meaning of the statute providing for the appointment of a "superintendent, who, under the direction and control of said [school] committee, shall have the care and supervision of the public schools."

GENERAL POLICY.

The mental habits acquired by the pupil through the drill and discipline connected with his daily instruction are of more consequence to the future citizen than any particular amount of information gained, important as that may be.

Our course of study should be arranged and adapted to the needs of the citizen as an end, and to investigation, memorizing, and training, as methods.

There are three considerations which should have weight in this connection. There should be enough of physical care and training to counteract any ill effects arising from confinement in the schoolroom, and any tendencies to incorrect form. All instruction, without neglecting those directions in which the mind of the pupil is naturally active, should include special attention to the weaker faculties, in order that he may develop fully in all directions. And thirdly, advancement should depend almost entirely upon proficiency in essentials, non-essentials being taken into account only in cases of doubtful merit.

It is also of the utmost importance to arouse and sustain a laudable desire for self-improvement and exemplary character. To this end, we must inculcate "sincerity, good humor, and all social affections, and generous sentiments,"—a work in which the teacher's kindly precepts and attractive and worthy example are indispensable, and the exercise of parental authority and co-operation is priceless.

Finally, I believe that no public institution is nearer to the hearts of the people than is the public school; and that they will do every reasonable thing to improve it. Still further, I believe that, while they are rightly jealous of extravagance, they are willing to pay a fair price for a good thing, and to treat the school as liberally as the home.

Actuated by the views thus briefly outlined and relying upon this faith in the good-will of the people, I desire that my service here shall be devoted to revising, systematizing, and supplementing the work already done, and to bringing our schools to that high standing where they will not merely compare favorably with the schools of other communities, but will also achieve the grand purpose for which they exist—a thorough preparation for American citizenship.

To the kindness and patience of the Honorable Board, I am already much indebted.

Respectfully submitted,

C. W. FEARING.

STATISTICS.

Population of the town, State census of 1885, . . .	4,040
Number of children between five and fifteen years of age, May 1, 1889,	723
Number of children under five years of age, in the schools,	0
Number of children over fourteen years of age, in the schools,	73
Number of children over fifteen years of age, in the schools,	69
Number of children between eight and fourteen years of age,	437
Number of children under eight years of age, in the schools,	213
Total number enrolled during the year, . . .	884
Average number belonging during the year, . . .	700.89
Average daily attendance,	644.14
Per cent. of attendance for the year, . . .	91.90
Per cent. of attendance for the year 1888-89, . . .	92.17
Per cent. of attendance for the year 1887-88, . . .	90.43

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE.

SCHOOLS.	Whole number of different pupils enrolled.	Average membership for the year.	Average Attendance.	Per Cent. of Attendance.	Per Cent. of Attendance in 1888-89.	Per Cent. of Attendance in 1887-88.
High School.....	68*	71.17	69.13	97.13	97.80	99.91
Union Grammar.....	44	37.23	34.56	92.82	94.30	91.92
“ Intermediate.....	43	34.12	31.62	92.65	92.91	90.58
“ First Primary.....	42	34.13	30.94	90.65	89.50	85.73
“ Second Primary.....	92	57.20	50.82	88.84	87.31	83.75
Pond Grammar.....	45	40.01	37.23	93.05	93.80	90.08
“ Intermediate.....	44	38.56	35.31	91.56	93.23	90.91
“ First Primary.....	53	44.13	39.25	88.93	89.58	89.97
“ Second Primary.....	80	54.33	48.79	89.81	85.21	84.97
Iron Works Grammar.....	34	26.37	24.87	94.64	95.51	91.64
“ “ Intermediate, (opened in Sept.).....	5*	42.25	40.21	95.18	.....	.....
“ “ First Primary.....	58	27.73	25.84	93.20	93.48	92.76
“ “ Second Primary.....	80	50.05	45.57	91.05	93.49	91.10
East Grammar, (closed in June)....	19	16.25	15.42	94.89	97.18	93.60
“ Primary.....	41	26.37	24.26	92.01	91.24	90.72
Middle Street.....	47	33.07	30.17	91.16	96.27	87.23
South.....	46	36.33	32.61	89.76	95.06	89.13
Southwest.....	18	11.02	10.49	95.19	95.89	87.98
West.....	25	20.57	17.05	82.86	82.49	83.76
In all the schools.....	884	700.89	644.14	91.90	92.17	90.43

*All but these were already enrolled in other schools.

MEMBERSHIP OF THE SCHOOLS—SEPT. 1, 1889.

SCHOOLS.	Grade I.	Grade II.	Grade III.	Grade IV.	Grade V.	Grade VI.	Grade VII.	Grade VIII.	Total Membership of School.
Union.....	31	33	21	15	17	14	19	16	166
Pond.....	28	27	25	23	25	16	25	16	185
Iron Works.....	25	10	17	11	20	21	20	7	131
East Primary.....	7	2	5	10					24
Middle Street.....	8	9	12		1	7			37
South.....	7	5	6	7		5	7	3	40
Southwest.....	2	2			4		2	1	11
West.....	5		6	5	4			1	21
	<u>113</u>	<u>88</u>	<u>92</u>	<u>71</u>	<u>71</u>	<u>63</u>	<u>73</u>	<u>44</u>	<u>615</u>
Total in each grade.....									
High School :									
Senior Class.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	23
Middle Class.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	23
Junior Class.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	37
									<u>83</u>
Total in High School.....									
Total in all the schools Sept. 1, 1889.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	<u>698</u>

Between September 1st and January 31st, fifty new pupils were admitted to the various schools.

TEACHERS.

NAMES.	School.	Grades.	Salary.	When first elected.
Charles E. Stetson.....	High.	Principal.	\$1,200	November, 1872.
Carrie M. Bassett.....	High.	Assistant.	600	April, 1885.
Herbert E. Walker.....	Union.	VII and VIII.	700	September, 1886.
Abbie A. Mills.....	Union.	V and VI.	400	April, 1882.
Adelaide E. Perry.....	Union.	III and IV.	400	September, 1887.
Sarah L. Hadley.....	Union.	I and II.	400	April, 1885.
Clara A. Holbrook.....	Union.	I and II.	...	Temporary.
Fred H. Saunders.....	Pond.	VII and VIII.	700	September, 1887.
Helen C. Bacon.....	Pond.	V and VI.	400	September, 1889.
Martha S. Harding.....	Pond.	III and IV.	400	January, 1890.
Sarah L. Arnold.....	Pond.	I and II.	400	October, 1884.
Victoria P. Wilde.....	Iron Works.	VII and VIII.	700	November, 1861.
Mary L. Crowe.....	Iron Works.	V and VI.	400	November, 1882.
Mabel L. Bates.....	Iron Works.	III and IV.	400	September, 1886.
Avis A. Thayer.....	Iron Works.	I and II.	400	September, 1877.
Theresa M. Jenkins.....	East.	I, II, III, IV.	400	September, 1889.
Edith A. Willey.....	Middle Street.	Mixed.	400	September, 1889.
Margaret E. C. Bannon.....	South.	Mixed.	400	September, 1874.
Lillian McCormick.....	Southwest.	Mixed.	320	April, 1889.
Nellie E. Bowles.....	West.	Mixed.	320	September, 1889.

TEXT-BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

Total number of books and pamphlets in the schools,	
Feb. 1, 1890,	4,631
Total number of books and pamphlets on hand, Feb. 1,	
1890,	625
Total number of slates in the schools, Feb. 1, 1890, .	602
Total number of slates on hand, Feb. 1, 1890, . .	104
Maps, charts and apparatus to the estimated value of .	\$300.00
Other supplies on hand to the estimated value of .	\$130.00

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Albert E. Avery, Chairman. Term expires in . . .	1890
John Reed. Term expires in	1890
L. H. H. Johnson, Secretary. Term expires in . .	1891
E. A. Wilde. Term expires in	1891
Mrs. A. M. Brooks. Term expires in	1892
Mrs. R. H. Morrison. Term expires in	1892

Regular meetings at Town Hall on the last Monday of each month.

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

CLARENCE W. FEARING.

OFFICE HOURS :

Mondays : 8.30 to 9.30 A. M., at Town Hall.

Tuesdays : 4 to 5 P. M., at Union Schoolhouse.

Wednesdays : 3.30 to 4.30 P. M., at Iron Works Schoolhouse.

Thursdays : 4 to 5 P. M., at Town Hall.

At residence on Hollis Avenue, Monday evenings.

P. O. address, "Box 60, Braintree."

BRAINTREE

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION EXERCISES.

JUNE 27th, 1889.

Motto: Esse quam Videri.

PROGRAMME.

SINGING.—Prayer: In Mercy Hear Us.....	
DECLAMATION.—Our Schools and Colleges.....	HARRY C. THAYER
ESSAY.—The Worship of Success.....	JULIA ELLSWORTH
DECLAMATION.—The Responsibilities of Young Men.....	
	FRED A. WOODWORTH
SINGING.....	LIZZIE C. MORRISON
RECITATION.—The Voiceless Chimes.....	A. GERTIE CAVANAGH
READING.—The Lilies of the Field.....	MARY E. GILLESPIE
DECLAMATION.—Taxes. A Parody.....	FRANK E. WOODWORTH
SINGING.—O'er the Waters.....	
RECITATION.—Eagle Rock.....	ANNIE M. BROOKS
DECLAMATION.—The Silent Captain.....	DAVID MACANDREW
ESSAY.—Longing.....	ANNIE M. SULLIVAN
SINGING.—O! Tells us Merry Birds of Spring.....	
	MISSSES FRENCH AND BROOKS
RECITATION.—The Gold that Grew by Shasta Town.....	
	ANTOINETTE K. HOLBROOK
DECLAMATION.—The Problem of the Universe.....	ORIN W. HOLLIS
SINGING.—Away, the Morning freshly Breaking.....	
ESSAY. Val.—Esse quam Videri.....	MARY L. FRENCH

Presentation of Diplomas.

GRADUATES.

A. GERTIE CAVANAGH,

ANNIE M. BROOKS,

JULIA ELLSWORTH,

MARY L. FRENCH,

MARY E. GILLESPIE,

ANNIE M., SULLIVAN,

ORIN W. HOLLIS,

DAVID MACANDREW,

HARRY C. THAYER,

ROBERT E. WHITMAN,

FRED. A. WOODWORTH.

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